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FORECAST FOR MISSION 80

Local

7/10 stratus at 2000'. This dissipating by 1000 A and 5/10 cumulus built up after 1200 . 2/10 cirrus at 25000'.

Enroute Out

6-9/10 stratus on the water at 2000. 7/10 cumulus and tops running up to 15000. Vis over 5 miles and moderate haze. 5/10 altocumulus and altostratus mixed at 14000. And this dissipating to 2/10 in the Alps. 4/10 cumulus built up over the Alps. Vis over 8 miles on land. Icing above 10000'.

Target

5/10 cumulus at 5000. 3/10 altocumulus at 12000, 6/10 cirrus at 25000 Surface wind at target W 6 mph. Vis over 7 miles. Slight haze. Pressure 30.04 Temp 16.

Enroute Back

Similar as going out.

WINDS	DIRECTION	MPH
1000	360	10
2000	180	12
6000	180	15
8000	200	18
10000	220	18
12000	220	20
15000	240	22
20000	250	28
25000	270	30

R. K. OLIVER,

OPERATIONS ORDEPS: 5th Wing # 127
2nd Bomb # 84

TARGET: Athens/Eleusis A/D, Greece.

DATE: 9 October 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 84

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APO 52C
9 October 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER 84)

1. This Group will furnish 18 a/c to bomb and destroy ATHENS/ELEUSIS A/D, GREECE. (planes to be equipped with Tokio tanks.)
2. Rendezvous: MASSICAULT; 4000'; 0820 A.
3. Route Out: MASSICAULT to CAPE BON TO CATANIA TO CAPE SKINARI TO CAPE MELANGANI TO I P TO TARGET.
4. Route Back: TARGET TO LEGANISOS TO CAPE BARADHIA TO CATANIA.
5. I P: ALEPOKHORI.
6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 bl GP demo bombs; inst nose, 1025 tail fuse.
7. Altitude: 82,000'.
8. Escort: None.
9. Communications: Channell "B" VHF and 6440.

By order of Colonel RICE:

(301st will post hole the So half of the Landing area.)

D. H. AINSWORTH,

FORECAST FOR MISSION 84

Local

4/10 cirrus at 24000 and increasing to 8/10 at 23000 after 1400 A. 2/10 altocumulus at 12000 after 0800 A. 4/10 altocumulus at 12000 after 1300 A. cumulus developments after 1400 A. Rain showers in vicinity late in period. Vis over 7 miles. Temp 82.

Enroute
Out

4-6/10 cirrus at 24000. 2-5/10 altocumulus at 12000. 2-4/10 cumulus at 2500. Vis over 8 miles. Slight rain showers en route back.

Target

4/10 cumulus at 4000 with tops built up to 10000. 3/10 altocumulus at 14000. 5/10 cirrus at 24000. Surface wind SW at 8 mph. Vis over 10 miles. Haze. Pressure 29.99 inches. Temp 25.

Enroute
From

Cumulus developments built up over the water. Rain showers over the mountains. Vis over 5 miles.

WINDS	DIRECTION	MPH
1000	360	10
4000	360	12
6000	290	20
8000	280	28
10000	270	34
12000	270	38
15000	270	32
20000	270	28

ROBERT K. OLIVER,

96TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
2ND BOMB GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER.

AFPO #520
9 October 1943

SUBJECT : Squadron Loading List for Group Mission #84.

TO : Group Operations Officer, 2nd Bomb Group (H), AFPO #520

267

P Captain B. A. Evans
CP 2nd Lt. David G. Henry
N 2nd Lt. Jack P. Drummer
B 2nd Lt. Clarence J. Kurz, Jr.
UTG T/Sgt Bernard B. Boone
LTG S/Sgt Joan J. Haffner
LWG S/Sgt. Alfred M. Coe
RWG S/Sgt Donald Glinert
TG S/Sgt Thomas J. Ashe
ROG T/Sgt Wells A. Macoy

252

P 1st Lt. Philip K. Divine
CP 2nd Lt. Adolph F. Diapolito
N 1st Lt. Alfred H. Bell
B 2nd Lt. Willis Knipple
UTG T/Sgt Allyn C. Moore
LTG S/Sgt. Edward N. Haley
LWG S/Sgt Russell E. Moore
RWG S/Sgt Eugene H. Chekemain
TG S/Sgt James E. Warren
ROG T/Sgt Eugene A. Guay

392

P 1st Lt. Fred R. Licence
CP 2nd Lt. Marshall W. Wyfield
N 2nd Lt. James J. Dunseltberger
B 2nd Lt. Marshall E. Hanson
UTG T/Sgt William F. Sayne
LTG S/Sgt Carl E. Gabbert
LWG S/Sgt James L. Clements
RWG S/Sgt Leo L. Scott
TG *Sgt. Ayo*
ROG T/Sgt William L. Johnson

940

P 1st Lt. LeRoy C. Brown
CP P/O Herbert L. Beal
N 2nd Lt. John F. Back
B 2nd Lt. W. H. Bigham
UTG T/Sgt George A. Clausen
LTG S/Sgt Benjamin F. Goldman, Jr.
LWG S/Sgt Paul T. Kozak
RWG S/Sgt Harold H. Lauer
TG S/Sgt Jack C. Jones
ROG S/Sgt John W. Chestnas

151

P 1st Lt. Harold L. Christman
CP 2nd Lt. ~~James E. Thompson~~ *Levchak*
N 2nd Lt. Seymour Rabinowitz
B 2nd Lt. L. E. Dixon
UTG T/Sgt Clarence J. Havlin
LTG S/Sgt Max C. Bare
LWG T/Sgt John H. Zoobelein
RWG S/Sgt Kermit L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt George F. Benedetto
ROG T/Sgt Donald N. Dickinson

Leading List for Group Mission 84, (Cont'd) 9 October 1943.

776

P Major Marion F. Spunthars
CP Captain Patrick G. Train
N 2nd Lt Daniel J. Farrell
B Captain George R. Mills
WTC 1st Sgt William Grebner
LTC 2nd Sgt Robert C. F. Brown
LTC 2nd Sgt Clayton A. Kubler
RWC 2nd Sgt William R. Richardson
TG 2nd Sgt Arthur J. Patterson
MOT 1st Sgt Edward L. Bennett

608

P Captain Burton T. Sutton
CP 2nd Lt Robert F. Kolstad
N 2nd Lt William A. Kohn
B 2nd Lt James L. Martin
WTC 1st Sgt Earl J. Lee
LTC 2nd Sgt Harry C. Brown
LTC 2nd Sgt Gillett L. Schneider
RWC 2nd Sgt John J. Conroy
TG 2nd Sgt Chester G. Gye
MOT 1st Sgt Edward H. Curtis

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P F/O Grvilla L. Doughty
CP F/O Charles G. Buckwalter
N 2nd Lt Harry T. Dillon
B 2nd Lt Gordon C. McWellyn
WTC 2nd Sgt Edward S. Holloway
LTC 2nd Sgt Robert G. McAndrew
LTC 2nd Sgt Keith L. Jensen
RWC Sgt Oscar Rome
TG 2nd Sgt Edmond L. Priversal
MOT 1st Sgt John W. Lens

For the Squadron Commander:

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

MISSION 84

TARGET: Eleusis A/D, Athens, Greece.

AIRPLANES: 19 a/c took off
14 a/c over target

TAKE OFF: 0740

ASSAULT: Axis of attack - 90°
Time of attack - 1213 to 1219
Altitude - 22,000 - 23,000'.
Rally - Left

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: Heavy, slight to intense, poor as to deflection and poor to good altitude.

ENCOUNTERS: 10/15 E/A attacked rear of formation.

BOMBS DROPPED: 167 x 500 GP's.

RESULTS: Successful, target are fairly well covered - some bombs over.

OUR AIRCRAFT LOSSES: 1 a/c damaged by flak

ENEMY AIRCRAFT LOSSES: 4 Me-109's and 1 FW-190 destroyed in air.
1 FW-190 probably destroyed in air.

WEATHER: Enroute; good over target 2/10 to 4/10 cloud coverage.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 175 hrs 2 minutes.

		267		
		252	392	
947*				398
			940*	
403	082*			134
		941	151	098*
384				133*
		870		
147	391			465
				341

* Early Returns

OPERATIONS ORDERS: 5th Wing # 126
2nd Bomb # 84A

TARGET: Argos So L/G, Greece.

DATE: 9 October 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 84A

(B-26's attack Bridges at Barreq and NW of Isernia. B-25's attack Athens Kal-
amaki at 1200 A with fighter escort and are also conducting a sweep from Corfu
Dubrovni with escort. 36 B-17's of the 97th and 99th are attacking Salonika
Sedes A/D and 36 B-17's of the same group are attacking Larisa A/D. 18 B-17's
of the 2nd and 301st will attack Argos S/LG.

SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

By order of Colonel

APU 520
10 October 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER84A9

D. H. AINSWORTH,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

1. This Group will furnish 18 a/c to bomb and destroy ARGAS S/L, GREECE.
2. Rendezvous: MASSICAULT; 2500'; 0905 A.
3. Route Out: MASSICAULT to CAPE BON to CATANIA to CAPE SKINARI to I P
to TARGET.
4. Route Back: TARGET to CAPE MARADHIA to CATANIA.
5. I P: KIATON.
6. BOMB LOAD: 12 x 500 lb GP demo bombs,; inst nose, .025 tail fuse.
7. Altitude: 20,000'.
8. Escort: None.
9. Communications: Channel "B" VHF and 6440.

(B-26's attack Bridges at Barreq and NW of Isernia. B-25's attack Athens Kal-
amaki at 1200 A with fighter escort and are also conducting a sweep from Corfu
to Dubrovni with escort. 36 B-17's of the 97th and 99th are attacking Salonika
Sedes A/D and 36 B-17's of the same group are attacking Larisa A/D. 18 B-17's
of the 2nd and 301st will attack Argos S/LG.

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

RECEIVED LOS ANGELES 8

MISSION 84A

TARGET: Argos South L/G, Greece.

AIRPLANES: 17 a/c took off
15 a/c over target
2 a/c returned early - 403, 941.

TAKE OFF: 0825.

ASSAULT: Axis of attack of - 183°
Time of attack - 1236 to 1240
Altitude - 19,100 to 20,300'.
Rally - Right

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: Heavy, slight to moderate, fair to good altitude and deflection.

BOMBS DROPPED: 180 x 500 GP's

RESULTS: Successful, target area well covered. 4/5 e/a on field observed to be burnish.

WEATHER: Enroute, good; over target, clear.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 152 hrs.

		595			
		788	646		
604				776	
		628			
487	613			736	608
		645	638*		
609*				779	
	909			903	411

* Early returns.

OPERATIONS CRIMES: 5th Wing # 121
2nd Bomb # 83

TARGET: MESTRE, ITALY

DATE: 6 October 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 83

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APD 520
6 October 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER . 1 . . . 83)

1. This Group will furnish 18 a/c (equipped with Tokio Tanks) to bomb and destroy MESTRE, N/Y, TARGET, ITALY.

2. Rendezvous: MASSICAULT; 3000; 0845 A.

3. Route Out: CAPE ZIBIB to 43°50'N - 10°E to I P to TARGET.

4. Route Back: Reverse route out.

5. I P: PADUA.

6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 lb GP demo bombs; 1/10 nose, .025 tail fuse.

7. Altitude: 23,500'.

8. Escort: None.

9. Communications: Channel "A" and 6440;

JOHN W. THALKEN,
1st Lt, Air Corps,
Asst Operations Officer.

FLIGHT FORMATION MISSION 83

267

403 392**

096* 870 384**

134* 398** 082 947

428 941 147 133

341* 465 619** 098*

* Early Returns
 ** Failures to take off

FORECAST FOR MISSION # 83.

Local

6/10 stratocumulus and forming into 5/10 cumulus at 4000 after 1200A. 5/10 altocumulus at 12000. 6/10 local rain showers. Vis over 8 miles Temp 80.

Enroute

To

(1) 4-9/10 stratocumulus at 2000 off water. 7/10 cirrus at 25000. 4/10 cumulus built up over mountains at 4000. icing. (2) 4-6/10 stratocumulus at 2000 over the water. 4/10 altocumulus at 12000 after leaving coast of Italy. Cirrus increasing to 7/10 as you approach the western section of Adriatic Sea. Vis are 8 miles with slight haze. Icing in clouds above 10000. Rain Shower.

Target

1. 3/10 stratocumulus at 3000, 4/10 cirrus at 25000 vis over 10 miles, surface wind at target NE at 7. Pressure 29.98 inches. Temp 22.
2. 6/10 cirrus at 25000. 6/10 cumulus at 5000. 4/10 altocumulus at 14000. Vis over 8 miles. Surface wind at target 8 mph. Pressure 29.93 inches. Temp 23.

Enroute

Back

Very similar as going out.

1.			2.		
WINDS	DIRECTION	MPH	Winds	Direction	MPH
1000	180	24	1000	180	25
4000	180	11	4000	180	11
6000	360	10	6000	180	12
8000	360	10	8000	180	12
10000	340	13	10000	200	12
12000	320	15	12000	250	12
15000	320	15	15000	270	15
20000	270	15	20000	270	15
25000	260	15	25000	270	15

R. K. OLIVER,

96TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
2ND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

APO #520
5 October 1943.

SUBJECT: Loading List for Group Mission #53.

TO : Group Operations Officer, 2nd Bomb Group (H), APO #520

776

P Major Marion F. Caruthers
CP Captain Patrick G. Train
N 2nd Lt Michael J. Farrell
B 2nd Lt Clarence J. Kurz, Jr.
UTG T/Sgt John A. Caputo
LTG S/Sgt Robert C. J. Ciampa
LWG S/Sgt Clayton H. Kahler
RWG S/Sgt William R. Richardson
TG S/Sgt Arthur J. Putterer
ROG T/Sgt Edward H. Bennett

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P 1st Lt Fred R. Licence
CP 2nd Lt Darrell W. Mayfield
N 2nd Lt Vance E. Dunkelberger
B 2nd Lt L. E. Dixon
UTG T/Sgt William E. Payne
LTG S/Sgt Carl E. Gabbott
LWG S/Sgt James L. Clemons
RWG S/Sgt Leo L. Meek
TG S/Sgt Sidney J. Ayo, Jr.
ROG T/Sgt William D. Johnson

267

P Captain Bradford Evans
CP F/O Charles C. Buckwalter
N 1st Lt Alfred H. Bell
B 2nd Lt Marshall E. Hanson
UTG T/Sgt Bernard B. Doone
LTG S/Sgt John J. Haffner
LWG S/Sgt Robert G. Moody
RWG S/Sgt Donald Glinert
TG S/Sgt Chester Frye
ROG T/Sgt Wells A. McCoy

392

P Captain Dutton C. Dutton
CP 2nd Lt Robert F. Kolstad
N 2nd Lt Francis A. McKeown
B 2nd Lt James W. Harbin
UTG T/Sgt Earl S. Kueck
LTG S/Sgt Wilson F. Heaton
LWG S/Sgt Gilbert A. Kopenhafer
RWG S/Sgt John J. Moonoy
TG S/Sgt Alfred W. Coe
ROG T/Sgt Edward H. Curtis

411

P 1st Lt Philip K. Divine
CP F/O Crville L. Doughty
N 1st Lt Elmo K. Ballard
B 2nd Lt Willis Knippel
UTG S/Sgt Seward S. Holloway
LTG S/Sgt Robert G. McAndrew
LWG S/Sgt Keith L. Jensen
RWG Sgt Oscar Rome
TG S/Sgt Edmond L. Privetcal
ROG T/Sgt John W. Lenz

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P 2nd Lt James D. Wrape
CP F/O George A. Lovchak
N 2nd Lt Seymour Rahinowitz
B 2nd Lt. J. Modene Sigham
UTG T/Sgt Clarence J. Havlin
LTG S/Sgt Max C. Bare
LWG T/Sgt John H. Zoobelein
RWG S/Sgt Kermit L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt George P. Benadetto
ROG T/Sgt Donald N. Dickinson

Loading List for Mission #83, (Cont'd),

5. October 1943

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P 1st Lt LeRoy C Brown
CP T/Sgt Herbert L Boal
W 2nd Lt Jack P Drummer
B 2nd Lt Gordon C Llewellyn
UTG T/Sgt George A McLauchlan
LTG S/Sgt Benjamin F Coleman, Jr
LWG S/Sgt Paul T Kozak
RWG S/Sgt Harold H Hauser
TG S/Sgt Jack C Jones
ROG S/Sgt John W Chestnas

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P 1st Lt Samuel W Covert
CP 2nd Lt David G Rohrig
W 2nd Lt Harry T Dillon
B Sgt Thomas J Ashe
UTG T/Sgt Allyn C Moore
LTG S/Sgt Russell E Moore
LWG Sgt Joseph A Peters
RWG S/Sgt James W Warren
TG S/Sgt Eugene H Chekemain
ROG T/Sgt Luzene A Guay

For the Squadron Commander:

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

MISSION 83

TARGET: Mestre, Italy M/Y.

AIRPLANES: 13 a/c took off
9 a/c over target.
4 a/c returned early - 134, 096, 098 & 341
4 a/c failed to take off - 398, 619, 384 & 392

TAKE OFF: 0735

ASSAULT: Axis of attack -
Time of attack - 1212 to 1217
Altitude - 23,000 to 24,000'.

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 108 x 500 GP's

RESULTS: Unsuccessful

REMARKS: Bombs to the left of assigned target. area.

WEATHER: Enroute, 8/10 cloud coverage, rain; over target, clear slight haze.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 99 hrs 47 minutes.

REMARKS: 9 a/c landed at Djeida and 2 a/c landed at Solomon # 1 Cape Bon. Our field was closed.

INTOPS

MESTRE M/Y; 49 17's of 2, 301 & 99 Gps, dropped 126 tons of 500 lb bombs between 1129-1215 hrs from 20/24,000'. 6 a/c returned early. 99 GP, first over the atarget, encountered 25/30 Me 109's and FW 190's at the coast. Engagement lasted throught the target. 2 B17's were lost over the target. Bomb strike photos show a heavy concentration of hits in central and west section of the yard. Considerable damage was done to tracks, rolling stock, engine repair shop, chemical plant, and industrial and other buildings nearby and direct hits cut the thru lines and also RR line to Castel France.

OPERATIONS COVERS: 5th Wing # 120
2nd Bomb # 82

TARGET: Bologna, Italy

DATE: 5 October 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 82

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APO 520
5 Oct 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER 82)

1. This Group will furnish 36 a/c to bomb and destroy WESTERN SECTION of M/Y at BOLOGNA, ITALY.
2. Rendezvous: MASSICAULT; 4000' / 0800 A.
3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Zebib to 43°50'N - 10°E to IP to TARGET.
4. Route Back: Reverse route out.
5. I P: CASTERL FRANCO DELL EMILIA.
6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 lb GP demo bombs, 1/10 nose & .025 tail fuse.
7. Altitude: 22,000'.
8. Escort: None.
9. Communications: Channel "A" and 6440.

By order of Colonel RICE:

JOHN W. THALKEN,

FLIGHT FORMATION MISSION 82

		781		
		788	623	
		638		
427		646*	907	870
909	613			147 941
604				628
947	082			465 384
		595		
		779	066	
		428		
098		903	096	776
133	584**			639 608
134				945
515	341			561 619*

* Early Returns
 ** Failure to take off.

28TH BG 2ND BNT CAMDEN (H)
2ND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 520
Office of the Operations Officer

5 October 1943

SUBJECT: Loading List, Mission 82.

TO: Group Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H), APO 520.

776

P	Marion F Caruthers	Major
CP	Paul E Edmonce	1st Lt
N	Michael J Carroll	2nd Lt
B	Clarence J Kurz, Jr	2nd Lt
WIC	John A Casulo	T/S
LTC	Robert C J Clarna	S/S
LWG	Clayton H Kallier	S/S
RWG	William H Richardson	S/S
TG	John W Carson	S/S
ROG	Edward H Bennett	T/S

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P	James D Wrape	2nd Lt
CP	George A Levenhak	P/C
N	Seymour Rabinowitz	2nd Lt
B	T H Blighan	2nd Lt
WIC	Clarence J Haylin	T/S
LTC	Max C Bare	S/S
LWG	John H Goebelslein	T/S
RWG	Kermit L Reynolds	S/S
TG	George P Bene detto	S/S
ROG	Donald H Dickinson	D/S

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P	BRADFORD EVANS	Capt
CP	Darrell W Mayfield	2nd Lt
N	John F Back	2nd Lt
B	Marshall E Hanson	2nd Lt
WIC	Bernard B Doone	T/S
LTC	John J Haffner	S/S
LWG	Robert G Moody	S/S
RWG	Donald Glinhart	S/S
TG	Arthur J Futterer	S/S
ROG	Wells A McCoy	T/S

945

P	Samuel W Covert	1st Lt
CP	Harold L Chrison	1st Lt
N	William E Delahanty	1st Lt
B	Thomas J Ashe	1st Lt
WIC	Allyn C Moore	T/S
LTC	Russell E Moore	S/S
LWG	Franklin W Fitzgerald	S/S
RWG	James E Warren	S/S
TG	Eugene H Heckmain	S/S
ROG	Eugene A Guay	T/S

066

P	Dutton C Dutton	Capt
CP	Robert F Kolstad	2nd Lt
N	Francis A McKee	1st Lt
B	James F Harbin	2nd Lt
WIC	Earl S Kuck	T/S
LTC	Silson F Heaton	S/S
LWG	Gilbert A Koppenhefer	S/S
RWG	John J Kocney	S/S
TG	Alfred W Coe	S/S
ROG	Edward H Curtis	T/S

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P	David G Rohrig	2nd Lt
CP	Charles Q Buckwalter	2nd Lt
N	Jack P Grammer	2nd Lt
B	L E Dixon	2nd Lt
WIC	James L Hicky, Jr	T/S
LTC	Lewis F Crawford	S/S
LWG	Frank Horner	S/S
RWG	Morton W Latchaw	S/S
TG	Gleo E Corley	S/S
ROG	Harold E Hanson	T/S

MISSION 82

TARGET: Bologna, Italy M/Y's.

AIRPLANES: 35 a/c took off
32 a/c over target
3 a/c returned early - 646, 870 & 619.
1 a/c failed to take off - 504.

TAKE OFF: 0650

ASSAULT: Axis of attack - 120°
Time of attack - 1122 to 1127
Altitude - 19,000 - 23,000'.
RALLY: - Right

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: Heavy, intense, good as to deflection and altitude.

ENCOUNTERS: 25/30 E/ Fighters attacked the entire formation.

BOMBS DROPPED: 382 x 500 GP's 1/10 nose, .025 tail.

RESULTS: Successful

REMARKS: Assigned target area well covered with direct hits. Large explosion in target area. 515 landed at Terranova A/D Sardinia because of wounded men aboard.

PERSONNEL LOSSES: Fitzpatrick P, Carlson CP, Berschig N, McCain B, Austin UTG, Hutcheson LTG, Hunt RWG, Sheldon LWG, Guilfoil TG, Chiles ROG,
WOUNDED: Kendall B, Gladfelter ROG, Fitzgerald RWG 96 Sq, Blissard CP, Underhill ROG;

A/C LOSSES: 907.

ENEMY A/C LOSSES: 8 Me 109's destroyed in air
1 FW 190 Prob destroyed in air
4 Me 109's damaged in air.

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Enroute and over target, clear, slight haze.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 257 hrs 15 minutes.

INTOPS

BOLOGNA MARSHALLING YARDS: 124 17's of the 2, 97, 99 and 301 dropped 367.5 tons of 500 Lb bombs at 1115/1215 hrs from 19,000/23,000'. 15 a/c returned early, one was lost to flak; 9 chutes opened. 2nd Gp was attacked by 25/30 Me 109's, Me 202's and FW 190's. The gp destroyed 8 Me 109's and prob dest 4 Me 109's and 1 FW 190. Bomb strike photos show: Good coverage of both ends of M/Y, one large explosion believed to be munitions, and several smaller ones, severe damage to 15 warehouses and 7 train sheds and to rolling stock and tracks.

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APO 520
4 Oct 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER . . . 81A)

1. This Group will furnish 18 a/c to bomb and destroy ENEMY INSTALLATIONS at Pisa, Italy.
2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 3000'; 0930 B.
3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Zebib to 43 deg 50'N 10 deg E to I P to Target.
4. Route Back: Reverse route out.
5. I P: 5 miles NW of Viareggio.
6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 GP demo bombs; 1/10 nose, .025 tail.
7. Altitude: 21,500'.
8. Escort: None.
9. Communications: Channel "B" BHF and 6440.

By order of Colonel RICE:

JOHN W. THALKEN,

FLIGHT FORMATION MISSION 81

		595		
		427	604	
776				781
		609		
	411		638	788
		909	613	
779				623
		584		
619	561		646	907
				628
903				

SPARES 515 and 581

Pisa, Italy M/Y: 60 B17's of the 2nd, 97th and 99th Bomb Gps dropped 164.1 tons of 500 and 300 lb bombs at 1145/1200 hrs from 20000/22000 one a/c returned early. No e/a encountered. 1 B-17 crash-landed at El Aina A/D; the crew is safe. Bomb strike photos show several direct hits on tracks at NW entrance to M/Y, cutting Spezia line; heavy concentration of M/Y proper, severely damaging tracks and rolling stock; direct hits on ~~train yard at junction of tracks to Spezia, cutting~~ ~~400' warehouse at S side of M/Y at SE end, destroying~~ center portion; direct hit on PR line to Lucca at its junction with line to Spezia, cutting line, heavy concentration on 2 unidentified industrial groups adjacent on S to SE end of yards - at least 2 minor explosions and 2 large fires caused here; direct hits on train on siding 800' NW of NW end of yards, causing a tremendous explosion (believed ammunition); direct hits on tracks in vicinity of train, further cutting line to Spezia, direct hits on highway to Spezia on NW side of M/Y's probably causing some crater damage.

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APO 520
4 Oct 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER 81)

1. This Group will furnish 13 a/c equipped with Tokio Tanks to bomb and destroy RR Bridge and Approaches at Bolzano, Italy.

2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 3000'; 0830 R.

3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Zebib to 43 deg 50'N to 10 deg E to I P to Target.

4. Route Back: Reverse route out.

5. I P: 5 miles West of Mezzolombardo.

6. Bomb Load: 5 x 1000 lb demo bombs; inst nose, .025 tail.

7. Altitude: 22,500'.

8. Escort: 24 P-38's of 14th Fighter Gp.

9. Communications: Channel "A" VHF and 6440;

(B-24's are attacking Bolzano RR bridge and m/y a B-26's attack RR Bridge at Capua. B-26's attack Pontoon Bridge at Castelvoturno. Gp P-38's dive bomb RR and Highway Bridges three miles south of Arce. P-38's dive bomb highway overpass south of Mignano. B-25's attack Highway intersection at Isernia.)

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH,

FLIGHT FORMATION
MISSION 81

		098		
		134*	096	
870				392
147	466*			945 267
		428		
		465		947
341*				403 082
398				

*Failures to take off

forecast for mission 81
Local

4/10 stratocumulus at 2000 and increasing to 7/10 at 2500 after 0900A. 5/10 cumulus forming after 1400A. Vis over 10 miles. Temp 80

Enroute to

3-4/10 stratocumulus on the water at 2000. 4/10 cumulus at 4000 over the mountains. 2/10 cirrus at 25000. Vis going on the water 8 miles and on the land 10 miles.

Enroute From

6/10 built up over the water. Vis over 10 miles.

Target

2/10 cirrus at 27000. 5/10 cumulus at 3000. Vis over 10 miles. Surface wind at target NE at 6 mph. Pressure 30.15 inches. Temp 19.

WINDS	DIRECTION	MPH
1000	290	10
4000	330	18
6000	310	18
8000	260	20
10000	180	20
12000	180	20
15000	180	20
20000	260	22

R. KL OLIVER,

96TH BOMBING SQUADRON (H)
2ND BOMBING GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

AFB #520
3 October 1943.

SUBJECT: Loading List for Group Mission #31

TO : Group Operations Officer, 2nd Bomb Group (H), AFB #520

#776

P Major Marion C. Garuthers
CP 2nd Lt Darrell W. Mayfield
N 2nd Lt Michael J. Farrell
B 2nd Lt Clarence J. Kurz, Jr
UTG T/Sgt John A. Caputo
LTG S/Sgt Robert C. J. Ciampa
LWG S/Sgt Clayton H. Kahler
RWG S/Sgt William R. Richardson
TG S/Sgt John W. Carson
ROG T/Sgt Edward H. Bennett

639

P 2nd Lt David G. Rohrig
CP F/O Charles Q. Buckwalter
N 2nd Lt Jack P. Drummer
B 2nd Lt Willis Knipple
UTG T/Sgt James L. Hisky, Jr
LTG S/Sgt Lewis W. Crawford
LWG S/Sgt Frank Horner
RWG S/Sgt Merton W. Latshaw
TG S/Sgt Cleo E. Corley
ROG T/Sgt Harold E. Hansen

561

P 1st Lt LeRoy C. Brown
CP F/O Herbert L. Beal
N 1st Lt Floyd J. Morris, Jr
B 2nd Lt ~~Marshall E. Hansen~~ *Bigham*
UTG T/Sgt George A. McLauchlan
LTG S/Sgt Benjamin F. Coleman, Jr
LWG S/Sgt Paul T. Kozak
RWG S/Sgt Harold H. Hauser
TG S/Sgt Jack C. Jones
ROG S/Sgt John W. Chestnas

~~639~~ 392

P Captain Dutton C. Dutton
CP 2nd Lt Robert F. Kolstad
N 2nd Lt Francis A. McLeown
B 2nd Lt James H. Harbin
UTG T/Sgt Earl S. Kuck
LTG S/Sgt Wilson F. Heaton
LWG S/Sgt Gilbert A. Kovenhafer
RWG S/Sgt John J. Mooney
TG S/Sgt ~~Waldo Emerson~~ *Chester Frye*
ROG T/Sgt Edward H. Curtis

779

P 1st Lt Paul E. Hunt
CP 2nd Lt ~~James D. Grape~~ *PG TRAIN*
N 2nd Lt Seymour Rabinowitz
B 2nd Lt Gordon C. Llewellyn
UTG T/Sgt Clarence J. Havlin
LTG S/Sgt Max C. Bare
LWG T/Sgt John H. Zoebelein
RWG S/Sgt Kermit L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt George F. Benedetto
ROG T/Sgt Donald N. Dickinson

945

P 1st Lt Samuel W. Covert
CP 2nd Lt Robert D. Doyle
N 1st Lt William E. Delahanty
B 2nd Lt ~~W. H. Bigham~~ *Hanson*
UTG T/Sgt Allyn C. Moore
LTG S/Sgt Russell E. Moore
LWG S/Sgt Franklin W. Fitzgerald
RWG S/Sgt James E. Warren
TG S/Sgt Eugene H. Chokemain
ROG T/Sgt Eugene A. Guay

Loading List for Mission #81 (Cont'd) 3 October 1943

~~422~~

P Captain Patrick G Train
 CP 1st Lt Fred R Licence
 N 2nd Lt Vance E Dunkelberger
 B 2nd Lt Lloyd O Haef's
 UTG T/Sgt William E Payne
 LTG S/Sgt Carl A Lambert
 LWG S/Sgt James H Clemons
 RWG S/Sgt Leo L Meek
 TG S/Sgt Sidney J Ayo, Jr
 ROG T/Sgt William D Johnson

~~608~~ 267

P 1st Lt. Harold L Chrismon
 CP F/O Orville L Doughty
 N 1st Lt Joseph P Gerace
 B 2nd Lt L. L. Dixon
 UTG T/Sgt Bernard Deane
 LTG S/Sgt John J Radtner
 LWG S/Sgt Robert G Moody
 RWG S/Sgt Donald Glinert
 TG S/Sgt Arthur J Futterer
 ROG T/Sgt Wells A Macoy

619

P 1st Lt Philip K Devins
 CP F/O George A Levchak
 N 2nd Lt Harry T Dillon
 B E/Sgt Thomas J Ashe
 UTG S/Sgt Seward S Holloway
 LTG S/Sgt Robert G McAndrew
 LWG S/Sgt Keith L Jensen
 RWG Sgt Walter H Chesser
 TG S/Sgt Edmond L Privensal
 ROG T/Sgt John W Lenz

For the Commanding Officer:

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

MISSION 81

TARGET: Bolzano, Italy RR Bridge, Italy

AIRPLANES: 13 a/c took off
13 a/c over target
3 a/c failed to take off - 466, 341 & 134.

TAKE OFF: 0740

ASSAULT: Axis of attack - 50 deg
Time of attack - 1243 to 1247.
Bombing Alt - 21,000 to 23,000.
Rally: Right (Sharp)

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: Heavy, moderate, poor to good altitude and deflection over target. Over Trento, heavy, slight to moderate, poor in accuracy.

BOMB DROPPED: 65 x 1000 GP's.

RESULTS: SUCCESSFUL

REMARKS: Good % of bombs in target area with prob hits on bridge.

WEATHER: Enroute, 5/10 cloud coverage; over target, 1/10 to 2/10 cloud coverage.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 122 hrs 25 min.

(Bolzano RR Bridge: 64 B17's of the 2nd, 97th, 99th and 301st Bomb Groups dropped 164.5 tons of 1000 lb bombs at 1147/1245 hrs from 21/23,500'. 7 a/c returned early. 20 Me 109 and FW 190 attacked the 97th; 4 e/a/c were destroyed, 4 were prob destroyed and 2 were damaged. Bomb strike photos show heavy concentration of RR and highway bridges and on approaches to each; prob direct hits on both bridges and they may be inoperative (smoke prevented full estimate of damage). R/R line on both approaches is severed and U S direct hit and damaging near misses on a train in W end of M/Y, destroyed several units of train, the RR tracks in the area, and nearby buildings; direct hit on main tracks S of station, cutting line and another hit adjacent to this damaged 2 warehouses.

OPERATIONS ORDERS: 5th Wing # 115
2nd Bomb # 80

TARGET: AUGSBURG, GERMANY

DATE: 1 October 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 80

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APC 520
1 Oct 1943

OPERATION'S ORDERS:

NUMBER 00)

1. This Group will furnish the maximum number of aircraft equipped with Tokio tanks to bomb and destroy the Messerschmitt Plant at Augsburg Airdrome, South Germany.
2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 4000'; 0900 A.
3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Zebib to 43 deg 50 min N 10 deg E to 20 miles West of Brenner Pass to Illertissen to I P. to target.
4. Route Back: Reverse route out, Decimomannu is emergency gas stop.
5. I P: Jettingen.
6. Bomb Load: 10 x 500 GP demo bombs; 1/10 nose, .025 tail.
7. Altitude: 25,000'.
8. Escort: P-38's as far as Corsica.
9. Communications: Channel "A" and 6440.

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH,

(The Augsburg Plant is the parent factory of the Messerschmitt Co. As such, it is the center of experimental work and undertakes serial assembly of new planes in order to iron out "production bugs". Destruction of this target should result in the stoppages of production of the new Messerschmitt 410 fighter for 3 to 6 months. This target must be destroyed. Note: Slight evasive action recommended North of Alps to I P and return from target. This does not mean wild ASS turns. 97th attack buildings in South area, 301st in North, 99th and 2nd attack each building area.)

MISSION 80

TARGET: Augsburg, Germany, A/D factory and A/D.

AIRPLANES: 16 a/c took off
4 a/c returned early - 870, 945, 267 & 403.
3 a/c failed to take off - 096, 133 & 941

TIME OFF: 0815

REMARKS: Because of adverse weather condition, the assigned target was not bombed. 3 a/c dropped 30 x 500 GP on the Bologna, Italy M/Ys. scoring hits on warehouses.

ENCOUNTERS: 5/7 fighters attacked entire formation.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 111 hrs 19 minutes.

		392		
		945*	267*	
098	870*			
	384			341 428
	398			096**
		947		
		403*	082	
	133**			
465	134			466 941**
				147

* Early returns
** Failed to take off.

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer
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APO 520
28 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER 79)

1. This Group will furnish 36 a/c to bomb and destroy BOLOGNA, MARSHALLING YARDS, ITALY.

2. Rendezvous: Over 99th Field; 4000'; 0830 A.

3. Route Out; BASE to CAPE ZEBIB to I P. (Enter Coast ~~nearby~~
ROUTE OF LEGHORN).

4. Route Back: Reverse route out.

5. I P: PORETTA.

6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 GP demo bombs; 1/10 nose, .025 tail.

7. Altitude: 22,500'.

8. Escort: None.

9. Communications: Channel "B", and 6440.

(301st and 97th will attack Bolzano RR Bridge and M/Y's. Max B-24's for special mission. 5 gps of B-26's will attack Road Defiles at Mignano, Granzzanise Pontoon Bridges, ~~Road/RR Bridge~~ RR Bridge N E of Capua. 1 Gp of P-38's dive bomb Road Defiles N E of Capua. 4 Gps of B-25's are attacking Bridge Route of Piana, Bridge at Castelvenere and Bridge S of Am-
orosi. 1 Gp of P-38's are attacking Road Defiles at Ansonia. 36 B-17's of 2nd and 99th each will attack Bologna M/Y, Italy.

D. HL AINSWORTH,

FORECAST FOR MISSION 79

Local

7/10 altocumulus and altostratus mixed. 7/10 cirrus at 22000'. 4/10 stratocumulus at 4000. Vis over 10 miles. Max Temp 88. Slight ~~rain~~ rain showers.

Enroute To

7-9/10 cirrus at 22000. 5-9/10 altostratus and altocumulus mixed at 8-14000. 7-9/10 stratus at 3000. Thunderstorm activity and icing in clouds above 10000 will be of danger to formation. Vis 10 miles except in showers and then reduced to 3 miles. Moderate haze over the water and land.

Target

6/10 stratocumulus at 4000. 6/10 altocumulus and altostratus mixed at 14000. 5/10 cirrus at 23000. Vis 10 miles and moderate haze. Surface wind NE at 7 mph Pressure 29.84 inches. Temp 24.

Enroute From

Similar condition as going out except more storms and clouds having more vertical development. Vis 8 miles or better except in rain storms.

Winds Direction MPH

1000	140	14
4000	110	14
6000	170	15
8000	180	19
10000	180	38
12000	230	32
15000	250	32
20000	270	32

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MISSION 79

609

909 613

604

427 403

776

561 619

945

779 736

595

147 638

628

466 623

788

584

134 428

133

465 398

066

639 411

384

947 082

096

581 903

870

098 907

96TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
2ND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO #520

27 September 1943.

SUBJECT: Loading List for Mission No. 79

TO : Group Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H), APO #520.

776

P Major Marion F. Caruthers
CP 3rd Lt. Samuel W. Covert
N 2nd Lt. Michael J. Farrell
B 2nd Lt. Clarence J. Kneze
UTG
LTG S/Sgt. Robert C. J. Ciampa
LWG S/Sgt. Clayton H. Kahler
RWG S/Sgt. William R. Richardson
TG S/Sgt. Arthur J. Futterer
ROG T/Sgt. Edward H. Bennett

779

P 1st Lt. Paul E. Hunt
CP 2nd Lt. James D. Wrape
N 2nd Lt. Seymour Rabinowitz
B 2nd Lt. Willis Knipple
UTG Sgt. Oscar Rome
LTG S/Sgt. Max C. Bare
LWG S/Sgt. John H. Zoebelin
RWG S/Sgt. Earnest L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt. George P. Benedetto
ROG T/Sgt. Hugh P. Thomson

411

P Capt Patrick G. Train
CP 1st Lt. Fred R. Licence
N 2nd Lt. Vance E. Dunkelberger
B 2nd Lt. Lloyd O. Haefl
UTG T/Sgt. William E. Payne
LTG S/Sgt. Carl E. Gabbart
LWG S/Sgt. James L. Clemons
RWG S/Sgt. Leo E. Mack
TG S/Sgt. ~~SEYMOUR~~ Sidney J. Ayo, Jr.
ROG T/Sgt. William D. Johnson

619

P Capt Harvey P. Hall
CP F/O Orville L. Dougherty
N 1st Lt. Joseph P. Gerace
B 2nd Lt. James W. Martin
UTG T/Sgt. Bernard B. Doehn
LTG S/Sgt. John J. Kaitner
LWG S/Sgt. Robert G. Moody
RWG Sgt. Donald Glinert
TG S/Sgt. Chester Frye
ROG T/Sgt. Harold E. Humphrey

066

P Capt Dutton C. Dutton
CP 2nd Lt. Robert F. Kolstad
N 2nd Lt. Francis A. McKee
B 2nd Lt. Marshall E. Hanson
UTG T/Sgt. Earl S. Fack
LTG S/Sgt. Wilson P. Heaton
LWG S/Sgt. Gilbert A. Kopenhaver
RWG S/Sgt. John J. Mooney
TG S/Sgt. Waldo Emerson
ROG T/Sgt. Edward H. Curtis

561

P 1st Lt. LeRoy C. Brown
CP F/O Herbert L. Seal
N 1st Lt. Floyd Morris
B 2nd Lt. W. H. Bigham
UTG S/Sgt. Seward S. Holloway
LTG S/Sgt. Benjamin F. Coleman, Jr.
LWG T/Sgt. Henry T. Karner
RWG S/Sgt. Robert C. Clark
TG Sgt. John W. Chestnas
ROG T/Sgt. Max R. Bland

736

P 1st Lt. Clark B. Cathercole
 CP F/O Charles Q. Buckwalter
 N 2nd Lt. Harry T. Dillon
 B 2nd Lt. Gordon C. McVellyn
 UFG T/Sgt. George A. McLaughlan
 LFG S/Sgt. Thomas J. Ashe
 LFG S/Sgt. Keith E. Jensen
 RWG S/Sgt. Harold H. Hauser
 TG Sgt. Jack C. Jones
 ROG T/Sgt. Cletus J. Corgett

639

P 2nd Lt. David G. Rohrig
 CP 2nd Lt. Adolph F. Dirpolito
 N 2nd Lt. John F. Back
 B 2nd Lt. L. W. Dixon
 UFG T/Sgt. John A. Caputo
 LFG S/Sgt. Lewis W. Crawford
 LFG S/Sgt. Frank Hurner
 RWG Morton W. Larnshaw S/Sgt.
 TG S/Sgt. Clee E. Conley
 ROG T/Sgt. Harold E. Hansen

945

P 1st Lt. Harold L. Chrismon
 CP 2nd Lt. Robert D. Doyle
 N 2nd Lt. Jack P. Drummer
 B 2nd Lt. Freedman
 UFG T/Sgt. Allyn C. Moore
 LFG S/Sgt. Eugene H. Chekemain
 LFG S/Sgt. Franklin W. Fitzgerald
 RWG S/Sgt. James E. Warren
 TG T/Sgt. Wells A. Macey
 ROG T/Sgt. Eugene A. Guay

For the Commanding Officer:

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GP (H)

Office of the Operations Officer

APO 510
18 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER. . . . 77)

1. This Group will furnish 36 a/c to bomb and destroy Viterbo ~~AD~~, Italy.
2. Rendezvo s: Massicault; 4000'; 1100 B.
3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Zebib to 42°N - 11°20'E to I.P to target.
4. Route Back: Reverse route out.
5. I P: 3 miles No PTO Clementino.
6. Bomb Load: 20th, 49th & 429th 38 x 100 lb clusters, inst nose, .025 tail.
96th will load 500 lb incendiary clusters.
7. Altitude: 21,500'.
8. Escort: None
9. Communications: Channel "A", and 6440.

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH,

FORECAST FOR MISSEL 77

Local

3/10 cirrus at 25000 and becoming 1/10 by 1100 B. 3/10 stratocumulus at 3000. This forming after 1000 B. Vis 7 miles. Haze moderate. Max temp 90.

Enroute To

4-8/10 stratocumulus at 2000 on the water. 4/10 altostratus at 10000. 3-8/10 cirrus at 22000. Vis over 6 miles. Heavy haze.

Target

5/10 cirrus at 22000. ~~max~~ 4/10 stratocumulus at 5000, Vis over 7 miles. Heavy haze. Surface wind SW at 6 mph. Pressure 29.97 inches. Temp 27 C.

Enroute From

Similar as going out. With low vis and same amount of clouds.

Winds	Direction	M P H
1000	280	10
4000	270	8
6000	240	16
8000	240	20
10000	220	20
12000	240	18
15000	230	20
20000	220	22

R. K. OLIVER,
1st Lt, A C,
Gp Weater Officer.

Mission 77

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		500**		
781				907
109	638	427	604	788
		909**		645**
628				623
466	147			403
				870
428				384
		581		
		903	584	
		096		
776		098	398	639
779	619			736
		515		608
066				945
411	561			

**Early returns, - 500 actually took off but was not considered as doing so

96TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
2ND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO # 520

September 16, 1943.

SUBJECT: Loading List for Mission 77.

TO : Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H).

AIRPLANE 776

P Major Marion F. Caruthers
CP 1st Lt., Fred R. Licence
N 2nd Lt., Ronald E. Beck
B 2nd Lt., ~~Harvey P. Hall~~ **KURZ**
UTG T/Sgt John A. Caputo
LTG S/Sgt Robert C J Clampa
LTG S/Sgt Clayton H Kahler
RWG S/Sgt William E Richardson
TG S/Sgt ~~John W. Chestnas~~ **FUTTERER**
ROG T/Sgt Edward H Bennett

AIRPLANE 779

P 1st Lt., Paul E Hunt
CP 2nd Lt. James D Wrape
N 2nd Lt. Seymour Rabinowitz
B 2nd Lt. Willis Knippel
UTG T/Sgt Clarence J Havlin
LTG S/Sgt Max C Bare
LTG S/Sgt John H Zoebeloin
RWG S/Sgt Kermit L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt George P Benedetto
ROG T/Sgt Donald N Dickinson

AIRPLANE 561

P 2nd Lt. LeRoy C Brown
CP F/O George A Levchak
N 2nd Lt. Floyd Morris
B 2nd Lt. L. E. Dixon
UTG T/Sgt Bernard E Deane
LTG S/Sgt Benjamin F Coleman
LTG T/Sgt Henry T Karner
RWG S/Sgt Robert C Clark
TG Sgt John W Chestnas
ROG T/Sgt Max R Eland

AIRPLANE 619

P Capt. Harvey P Hall
CP F/O Grvillo L Doughty
N 1st Lt. Joseph P Gerace
B 2nd Lt. ~~Clarence S. Hunt~~ **HARBIN**
UTG S/Sgt Seward S Holloway
LTG S/Sgt John J Laffner
LTG S/Sgt Robert G Moody
RWG Sgt Donald B Gilbert
TG S/Sgt Alfred W Coe
ROG T/Sgt Harold E Humphrey

AIRPLANE 066

P 1st Lt. Dutton C Dutton
CP 2nd Lt. Robert F Kolstad
N 2nd Lt. Francis A McKeown
B 2nd Lt. ~~James H Krannichfeld~~ **FREEDMAN**
UTG T/Sgt Earl S Kack
LTG S/Sgt Wilson F Heaton
LTG S/Sgt Gilbert A Koppenhefer
RWG S/Sgt John J Mooney
TG S/Sgt Waldo Emerson
ROG T/Sgt Edward H Curtis

AIRPLANE 411

P 2nd Lt. James H Krannichfeld
CP 2nd Lt. Darrall W Mayfield
N 2nd Lt. Vance E Dunkelberger
B 2nd Lt. W. H. Bigham
UTG T/Sgt William E Payne
LTG S/Sgt Carl E Gabbert
LTG S/Sgt James L Clemons
RWG S/Sgt Leo L Meek
TG S/Sgt Sidney J Ago, Jr.
ROG T/Sgt William D Johnson

AIRPLANE 639

CAPT.
P ~~1st Lt.~~ Patrick G Train
CP ~~Major 2nd Lt. William H. Dippolito~~ DIPPOLITO
N 2nd Lt. John F Pack
B 2nd Lt. ~~Harvey A. McLaughlin~~ HAEFS
UTG T/Sgt James L Eiskay, Jr.
LTG S/Sgt Lewis W Crawford
LWG S/Sgt Frank Horner
RWG S/Sgt Lerton W Latchaw
TG S/Sgt Cleo A Cotley
ROG T/Sgt Harold E Hanson

AIRPLANE 736

P 1st Lt. Clark B Gathercole
CP F/O Charles Q. Buckwalter
N 1st Lt. Elmo K Ballard
B 2nd Lt. ~~Gordon C. Llewellyn~~ DILLON
UTG T/Sgt George A McLaughlin
LTG Sgt Thomas J Asic
LWG S/Sgt Keith L Jensen
RWG S/Sgt Harold E Hauser
TG Sgt Jack C Jones
ROG T/Sgt Joe A McCoy

AIRPLANE 608

P 1st Lt. William S Propper
CP 2nd Lt. David G. Harding
N 2nd Lt. Otis B Jackson
B 2nd Lt. ~~Elmer E. Hanson~~ HANSON
UTG S/Sgt Melbourne E Anderson
LTG S/Sgt Russell E Moore
LWG S/Sgt Paul T Kozak
RWG T/Sgt Hugh P Thomson
TG S/Sgt Chester J Milley
ROG T/Sgt Thomas Scangarello

AIRPLANE 945

P 1st Lt., Harold L. Christman
CP 2nd Lt. Robert D. Coyle
N 2nd Lt. Michael J. Farrell
B 2nd Lt. ~~Harold L. Christman~~ LLEWELLYN
UTG T/Sgt Allyn C. Moore
LTG S/Sgt Edward W. Haley
LWG S/Sgt Franklin W. Fitzgerald
RWG S/Sgt James E. Warren
TG S/Sgt Eugene H. Chakomatin
ROG T/Sgt Cletus J. Corbett

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
CAPT., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

Mission # 77

TARGET: Viterbo, Italy Airdrome.

AIRPLANES: 37 a/c took off
34 a/c over target
3 a/c returned early - 098, 945, & 427.

TAKE OFF: 1000

ASSAULT: Axis of attack - 55 deg
Time of attack - 1305 to 1311
Altitude - 19,700 to 23,100'.
Withdrawal - Left

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: Heavy, slight to moderate, good altitude, poor deflection.

NO ENCOUNTERS: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 108 x 500 Incend - 1/10 nose, .025 tail fuse.
950 x 100 GP's - " "

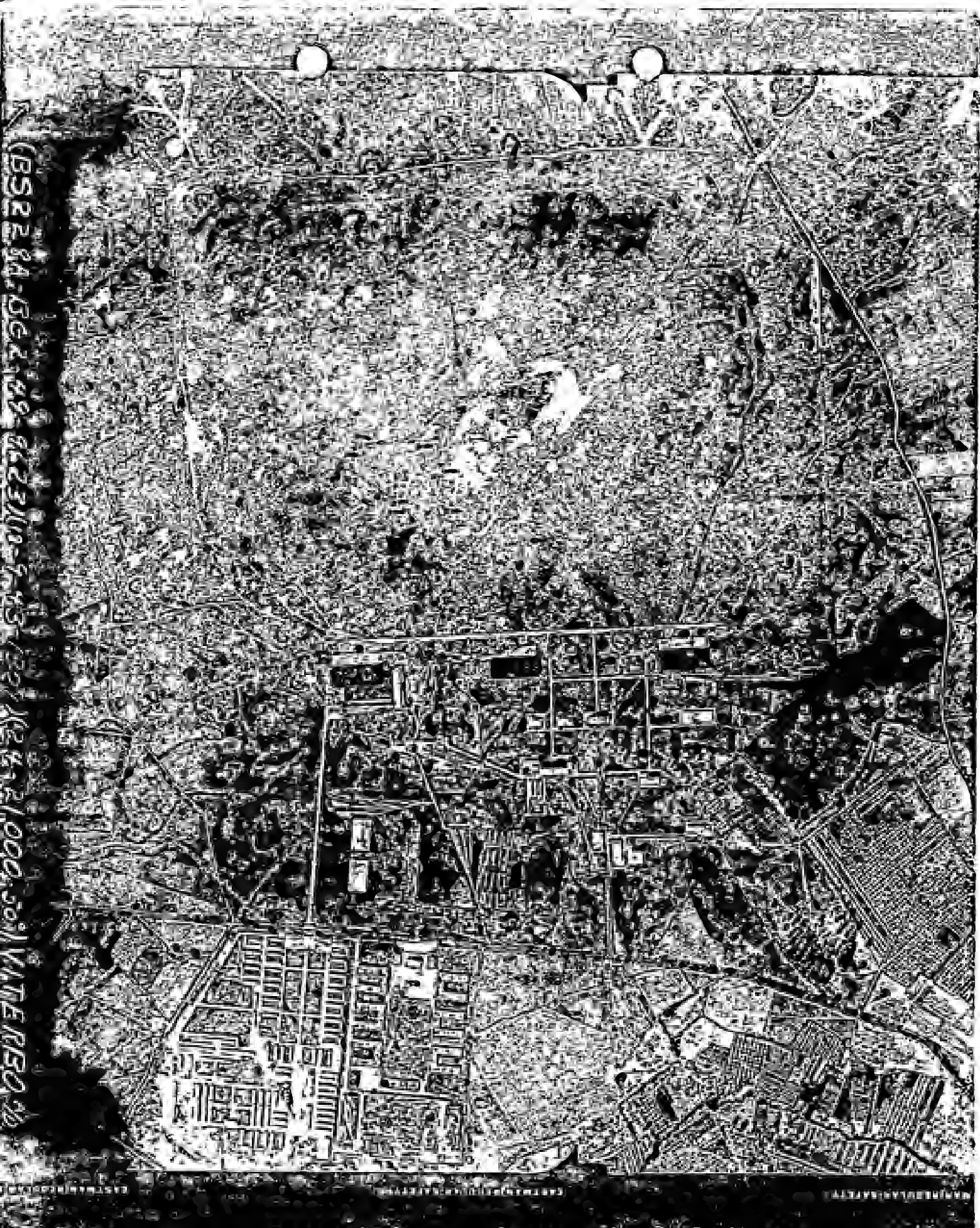
RESULTS: Successful.

REMARKS: Target area well covered. several fires observed in dispersal area. B17F 098 turned back at 1212 hrs, salvoed 39 x 100 GP's. Landed at Boca de Falco A/D, Sicily, then returned to home base. on 19 Sept.

OUR WEATHER CONDITIONS: 2/10 to 4/10 cloud coverage at 6,000'; over target, clear, 2-4/10 clouds at 18,000'.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 210 hrs 26 minutes.

BSR 84-662 88 6623) 00-1-43 1221 (24-2/000-50) WHITE NEO 12



MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

RELAISON
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APG 520
16 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER. . . . 76)

1. This Group will furnish 36 a/c to bomb and destroy M/Y and Highway Overpass at Castera, Italy.

2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 2500'; 1120 B.

3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Bon to 39°N - 13°30'E to 41°04'N - 13°30'E to I P to Target.

4. Route Back: Reverse route out.

5. I P: 2 miles No Castel Volturno.

6. Bomb Load: 16 x 500 lb GP daisy bombs, L/10 nose, .025 tail fuse.

7. Altitude: 20,000'.

8. Escort: None.

9. Communications: Channel "A", and 6410.

(99th and 301st are attacking Bridges at Benevento.)

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH,

FORECAST FOR MISSION 76

Local

4/10 cumulus at 4000 after 1500 B. 4/10 cirrus at 22000 after 1000B. Vis over 8 miles. Max temp 97.

Enroute
To

2/10 stratocumulus at 2000'. Vis over 7 miles. Moderate haze.

Target

Few scattered clouds at 8000'. Vis over 8 miles. Haze in the area. Surface wind W at 7 mph. Pressure 30.16 inches. Temp 29.

Enroute
From

Similar as going out more clouds in area of home base than usually for last months. Vis over 8 miles.

Winds	Direction	Mph
1000	180	15
4000	180	15
6000	160	15
8000	140	17
10000	160	18
12000	130	20
15000	160	25
20000	150	22

R. K. OLIVER.

MISSION # 76

604

584 613

609

909 500

405

611

638 781

645

147 109

870

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646 623

907

788 466

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776

411 608

561

736 779

082

066

945 619

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422 598

047

096

465 584

581

515 133

66TH BOMBING GROUP (H)
2ND BOMBING GROUP (H)
APO #519

16 September, 1943.

SUBJECT: Loading List for Mission 76.

TO : Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H) APO #520.

Plane 776

P 1st Lt. Caruthers, Marion F.
CP 1st Lt. Donald H. Ainsworth
N 2nd Lt. Ronald E. Beck
B 1st Lt. Robert L. Daniel
UTG T/Sgt John A. Caputo
RCG T/Sgt Edward E. Bennett
LWG C/Sgt Robert C. J. Clampa
LWG S/Sgt Clayton R. Kahler
RCG S/Sgt William R. Richardson
TG S/Sgt John W. Carson

Plane 411

PA 2nd Lt. James H. Krammichfeld
CP 2nd Lt. Darrell W. Mayfield
N 2nd Lt. Vance C. Dunkelberger
B 2nd Lt. W. H. Bigham
UTG T/Sgt William E. Payne
RCG T/Sgt William B. Johnson
LWG S/Sgt Carl E. Gabbott
LWG S/Sgt James L. Clemens
RCG S/Sgt Leo L. Mack
TG S/Sgt Sidney J. Ayo, Jr.

Plane 561

P
P 1st Lt. Delbert E. Resta
CP F/O George A. Levchak
N 2nd Lt. Floyd J. Morris, Jr.
B 2nd Lt. James W. Harbin
UTG S/Sgt Fred P. Caldwell
RCG T/Sgt Max R. Bland
LWG S/Sgt Benjamin F. Coleman, Jr.
LWG T/Sgt Henry T. Kerner
RCG S/Sgt Robert C. Clark
TG Sgt John W. Chestnas

Plane 608

P 1st Lt. William S. Frowner
CP 2nd Lt. David G. Rohrig
N 2nd Lt. Otis B. Jackson
B 2nd Lt. Lloyd O. Pa-fs
UTG T/Sgt Melbourne E. Angier
RCG T/Sgt Thomas Scarginallo
LWG S/Sgt Robert G. McAndrew
LWG S/Sgt Paul T. Kozak
RCG T/Sgt Hugh P. Thorson
TG S/Sgt Chester J. Hilley

Plane 945

P 1st Lt. Harold E. Christon
CP 2nd Lt. Robert D. Doyle
N 2nd Lt. Michael J. Farrell
B 2nd Lt. Mrs. H. E. Hanson
UTG Allyn C. Moore, T/Sgt
RCG T/Sgt Eugene A. Gray
LWG S/Sgt Edward W. Haler
LWG S/Sgt Franklin W. Fitzgerald
RCG C/Sgt James E. Warren
TGS/Sgt Eugene H. Chokemain

Plane 736

P 1st Lt. Clark E. Gathercole
CP F/O Charles Q. Buckwalter
N 1st Lt. Elmo E. Ballard
B 2nd Lt. Gordon C. Llewellyn
UTG T/Sgt George A. McLaughlan
RCG T/Sgt Joe A. McCoy
LWG Sgt. Thomas J. Asho
LWG S/Sgt Keith L. Jansen
RCG S/Sgt Harold H. Hausser
TG Sgt. Jack C. Jones

Leading List for the 76 Italian contingent:

Plane 779

P 1st Lt. Paul E. Hunt
 CP 2nd Lt. James D. Wrepa
 N 2nd Lt. Abram Rabinovitz
 B 2nd Lt. William L. Lippin
 FTG T/Sgt Clarence C. Lippin
 ROG T/Sgt Donald A. Dickinson
 LTG S/Sgt Max C. Bare
 LAG T/Sgt John H. Zoebelman
 RTG S/Sgt Kenneth L. Reynolds
 TG S/Sgt George F. Bonalotto

Plane 066

P 1st Lt. Dutton C. Dutton
 CP 2nd Lt. Robert F. Kolstad
 N 2nd Lt. Francis A. McGeehan
 B 2nd Lt. John T. Perkins
 LTG T/Sgt Earl S. Luck
 ROG T/Sgt Edward H. Curtis
 LTG S/Sgt Wilson F. Leaton
 LAG Sgt Gilbert A. Koyenhefer
 RTG S/Sgt John J. Mooney
 TG S/Sgt Waldo Emerson

Plane 639

P 1st Lt. Patrick G. Train
 CP 2nd Lt. Adolph F. Dippolito
 N 2nd Lt. John F. Back
 B 2nd Lt. L. J. Dixon
 FTG T/Sgt James L. Kiskey, Jr.
 ROG T/Sgt Harold A. Hanson
 LTG S/Sgt Lewis W. Crawford
 LAG S/Sgt Frank Hornor
 RTG S/Sgterton W. Latashaw
 TG S/Sgt Glen E. Corley

Plane 619

P Captain Harvey F. Hall
 CP P/O Orville L. Dougherty
 N 1st Lt. Joseph P. Garace
 B 2nd Lt. Clarence J. Evers
 FTG S/Sgt Seward S. Holloway
 ROG Harold E. Humphrey T/Sgt
 LTG S/Sgt John J. Haffner
 LAG S/Sgt Robert G. Moody
 RTG Sgt Donald Glinhart
 TG S/Cgt Alfred W. Coe

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

MISSION 76

TARGET: Caserta, Italy

AIRPLANES: 41 a/c took off
39 a/c over target
2 a/c returned early - 909 & 365
1 a/c missing - 133

TAKE OFF: 1030

ASSAULT: Axis of attack: 95°
Time of attack: 1331 to 1336
Altitude: 19,500 to 21,600'.
Rally: Left

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: None over target. North of Capua A/D - heavy, moderate to intense, good as to altitude and deflection.

ENCOUNTERS: None.

BOMBS DROPPED: 144 x 250 GP's & 448 x 300 GP's, 1/10 nose, .025 tail.

RESULTS: Successful.

REMARKS: Target area well covered - overhead bridge appeared to receive several hits and near misses. Fires observed starting in M/Y's. B-17F #133 turned back at 1312 at 40°10'N, 13°40'E. This B-17F was observed to have a feathered engine and jettisoned bombs in Mediterranean.

OUR PERSONNEL LOSSES: Crew on 133 missing.

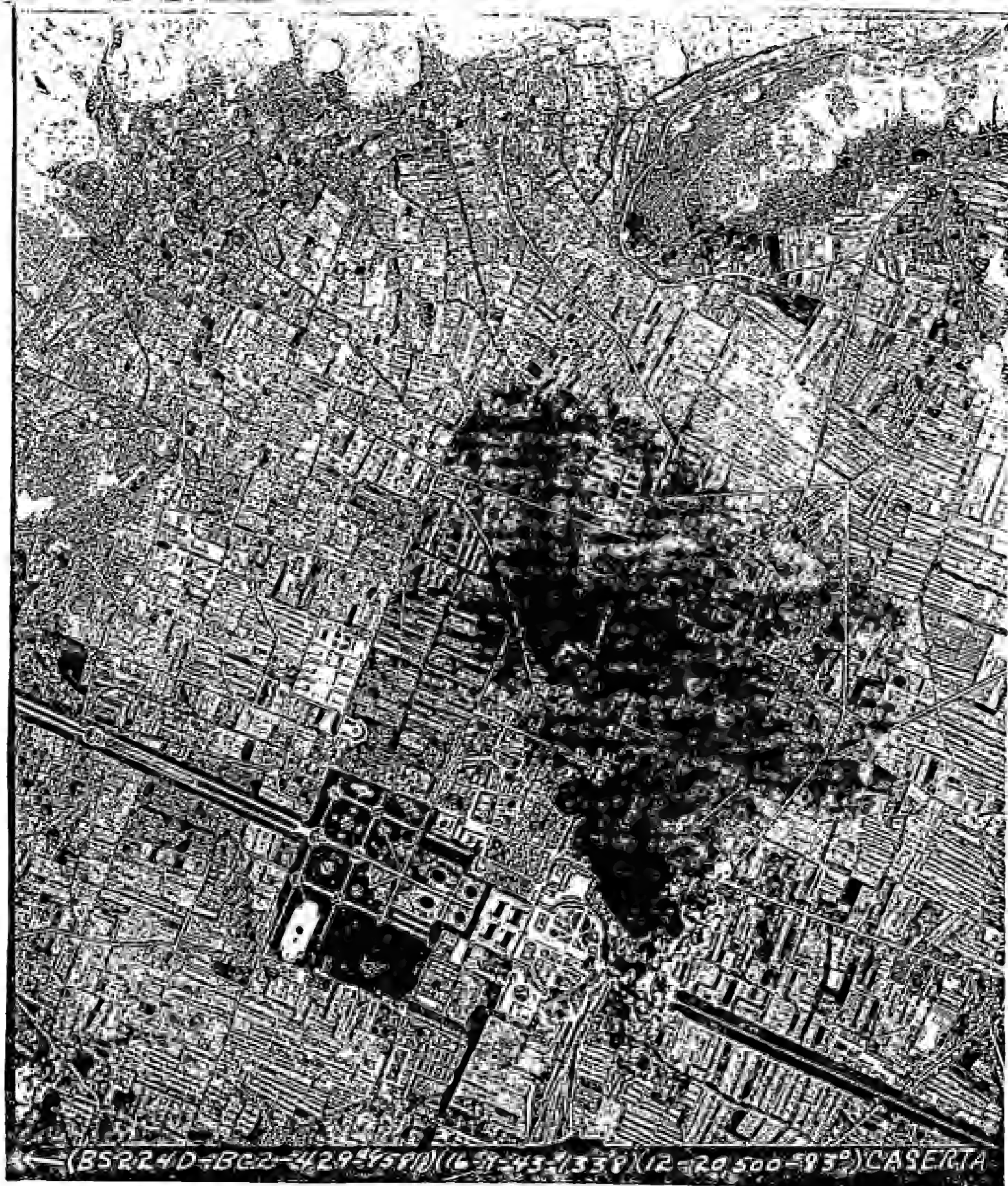
OUR A/C LOSSES: Plane # 133 missing.

WEATHER: Enroute and over target, clear, hazy.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 250 hours 19 minutes.

NASAF Intops Summary No 56

CASERTA ROADS: 38 B-17F's of the 2nd Bomb Gp dropped 91-1/5 tons of 300 lb and 250 lb bombs at 1333 hours from 19500/21600' feet. No encounters. 1 B-17 is missing. Bomb strike photos show main RR line East of Roma-Aversa junctions cut by direct hits. Extensive damage to freight yards and rolling stock, five tank cars exploded starting fires. Bldg in M/Y hit. No damage to overpass but south approach cratered.



←(B5224D-BC2-4294590)(1657-43-1338)(12-20500-93°)CASERTA

OPERATIONS ORDERS: 5th Wing # 96
2nd Bomb # 75

TARGET: Battipaglia to Nocci, Italy

DATE: 15 September 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 75

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (B)
Office of the Operations Officer.

A PO 520
15 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER 75)

1. This Group will furnish the maximum number of aircraft to bomb and destroy Highway Intersections, Troop Concentrations and Bridges along Highway from the City of Battipaglia to Eboli, Italy.

2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 2500⁰⁰; 1600 B.

3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Bon to 40°N - 12°E to I P to Target.

4. Route Back: Reverse route out.

5. I P: 40°30'N - 14°30'E.

6. Bomb Load: 16 x 500 lb Gp demo bombs; 1/10 nose, .025 tail.

7. Bomb Altitude: 15,000⁰⁰.

8. Escort: None

9. Communications: Channel "A" and 6440.

(Maximum B-17 of each the 97th and 2nd Bomb Gps to attack targets above.)

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH,

FORECAST OFR MISSION 75

Local

3/10 cumulus clouds at 5000 and dissipating by 1700 B. Vis over 8 miles. Max temp 98.

Enroute
TO

2/10 stratocumulus at 2000'. Few scattered cumulus around land. Vis over 8 miles. Slight haze.

Target

Few scattered cumulus around mountains. Vis over 8 miles. Surface wind at 6 mph Pressure 30.15. Temp 27.

Enroute
From

Similar as going out.

Winds	Direction	Mph
1000	190	14
4000	140	12
6000	130	18
8000	120	20
10000	130	22
12000	130	25
15000	160	20

R. K. OLIVER,

MISSION # 75 FORMATION

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465	153*			
428				
		595		
		561	619	
		448		
604				608
082	613	778	733	411 945
		066		584
609				909 403*
427	947			639
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* Failures to take off.

** Early Return (Plane 903 actually took off, but was not considered as doing so.)

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APO # 520
15 Sept 1943

SUBJECT: Loading List Mission # 75.

TO: Group Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H), APO # 520/

608

P William S. Propper 1st Lt
CP David G. Rohrig 2nd Lt
N Ottis B. Jackson 2nd Lt
B Murray Marowitz 2nd Lt
UTG Melbourne E. Anger T/S
ROG Thomas Scangarello T/S
LTG Robert G. McAndrew S/S
RNG Hugh P. Thomson T/S
LWG Paul T. Kozak Sgt
TG Chester J. Milley S/S

945

P Harlow E. Willard Capt
CP Donald G. Prieve 2nd Lt
N Michael J. Ferrell 2nd Lt
B Marshall E. Hanson 2nd Lt
UTG Allen C. Moore T/S
ROG Eugene A. Guay T/S
LTG Edward W. Haley S/S
LWG Franklin W. Fitzgerald S/S
RNG James E. Jarren S/S
TG Eugene H. Chokrain S/S

449

** P Patrick G. Train 1st Lt
CP ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 2nd Lt
N Jack P. Drummer 2nd Lt
B James W. Harbin 2nd Lt
UTG John A. Caputo T/S
ROG Edward H. Bennett T/S
LTG Robert C. J. Cianna S/S
LWG Clayton E. Kahler S/S
RNG William R. Richardson S/S
TG John W. Carson S/S

** CP Harold L. Chrismon 1st Lt

411

P James H. Krannichfeld 2nd Lt
CP Darrell W. Mayfield 2nd Lt
N Vance E. Dunkelberger 2nd Lt
B Lloyd O. Haels 2nd Lt
UTG William E. Payne T/S
ROG William D. Johnson T/S
LTG Carl E. Gabbart S/S
LWG James L. Clemons S/S
RNG Leo L. Meek S/S
TG Sidney J. Ayo, Jr S/S

066

P Dutton C. Dutton 1st Lt
CP Robert F. Kolstad 2nd Lt
N Francis A. McIsown 2nd Lt
B John T. Larkins 2nd Lt
UTG Earl S. Kuck T/S
ROG Edward H. Curtis T/S
LTG Wilson F. Henton S/S
LWG Gilbert A. Koppenhefer Sgt
RNG John J. Mooney S/S
TG Waldo Emerson S/S

561

P Delbert A. Rosta 1st Lt
CP LeRoy C. Brown 2nd Lt
N Floyd J. Morris, Jr 2nd Lt
B Fred Allen 1st Lt
UTG Fred P. Caldwell S/S
ROG Max R. Bland T/S
LTG Benjamin F. Coleman, Jr S/S
LWG Henry T. Karner T/S
RNG Robert C. Clark S/S
TG John W. Chestnas Sgt

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PATRICK G. TRAIN,
1st Lt, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

MISSION: 75

TARGET: Road Battipaglia East of Eboli, Italy

AIRPLA NES: 58 a/c took off
38 a/c over target
3 a/c failed to take off - 403, 155, 803.

ASSAULT: Axis of attack - 75 deg
Time of attack - 1802 to 1807
Bomb altitude - 13,500 to 15,500 ft.
Withdrawal - Right
I A S - 160

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: Heavy, moderate, good altitude and fair deflections.

NO ENCOUNTERS: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 608 x 300 GP's, 1/10 nose, .025 tail.

RESULTS: Successful

OUR A/C LOSSES: Plane 449 crash landed 15 miles from base.

REMARKS: Tar et area fairly well covered.

WEATHER: Enroute and over target, clear - hazy.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 197 hours 44 minutes.



SPR 20A-1362-20-9609)(15-9-43-1807)(2-7-200-96°)BATTI TRAGLIA IRR.

OPERATIONS ORDERS: 5th Wing # 82
2nd Bomb # 74

TARGET: Bottipaglia to Eboli, Italy

DATE: 14 September 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 74

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer.

APC 520
14 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER 74)

1. This Group will furnish the maximum number of aircraft to bomb and destroy Highway Intersections, Troop Concentrations and Bridges along Highway from Eastern Edge of the city of Battipaglia to West Edge of Eboli.

2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 2,500'; 0930 E.

3. Route out: Massicault to Cape Bon to 40 deg N - 12°E to I P to Target.

4. Route Back: Reverse route out.

5. I P: 40°30'N 14°30'E.

6. Bomb Load: 38 x 100 lb GP demo bombs, inst nose, .025 sec tail.

7. Bombing altitude: 15,000'.

8. Escort: None.

9. Communications: Channel "A" and 6440.

(Confirming verbal orders, the Hun forces are in full retreat from Battipaglia to Eboli. Max B-17's of each the 301st and 2nd Bomb Gps will bomb target listed above.)

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH

FORECAST FOR MISSION 74

Local

Practically clear skies with Reduced vis due to blowing dust. Max temp 98

Enroute TO

2/10 cumulus on water vis reduced to 10 miles due to haze.

Target

Practically clear. Vis over 10 miles. Moderate breeze wind SE at 6 mph. Pressure 29.90 inches. Temp 26 C.

Enroute From

Practically clear. Vis similar as going out.

Winds	Direction	MPH
1000	180	28
4000	180	25
6000	160	22
8000	150	20
10000	150	18
12000	150	20
15000	150	25

R. K. OLIVER,

FORMATION MISSION 74
14 Sept 1943

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811	134	133
870	096	581
645		903
628		584
783		781
109		907
638		147
	776	623
	779	
	561	
	608	
609	758	068
500	592	449
604*		777
082		945
427		909
384		403
947		287

A additional Plane - 465

* Fa ilure to take off

96TH BO EIGHTH SQUADRON (H)
2ND PTB PLANT GROUP (H)
A. P. O. 520

September 12, 1943.

SUBJECT: Loading List For the 74th Group Mission.

TO : Group Operations Officer, 2nd - abatement Group (H), APO # 520.

776

P Maj. Caruthers, Marion F.
CP 2nd Lt. Wesley C. Brown
N 2nd Lt. John F. Pack
B 2nd Lt. Murray Mayrowitz
UTG T/Sgt. Bernard B. Poons
ROG T/Sgt. Charles E. White
LTG S/Sgt. John J. Haffner
LTC Sgt. Walter H. Haaser
RSG S/Sgt. Eugene R. Lehman
TG Sgt. Arthur J. Putterer

449

P 1st Lt. Allen W. Roossig
CP F/O Herbert L. Beal
N 2nd Lt. Jack P. Drummer
B 2nd Lt. Willis Knipple
ROG T/Sgt. John A. Goyette
RSG T/Sgt. Edward H. Bennett
LTG S/Sgt. Robert G. J. Ciampa
LTC S/Sgt. Clayton H. Kahler
RSG S/Sgt. William R. Richardson
TG S/Sgt. John W. Carson

779

P 1st Lt. Paul E. Hunt
CP 2nd Lt. James D. Wrape
N 2nd Lt. Seymour Rabinowitz
B 2nd Lt. L. E. Dixon
UTG T/Sgt. Clarence J. Navlin
ROG T/Sgt. Donald H. Dickinson
LTG S/Sgt. Max C. Bare
LTC S/Sgt. John H. Zoebelen
RSG S/Sgt. Kermit L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt. George P. Benefetto

066

P 1st Lt. Dutton C. Dutton
CP 2nd Lt. Robert F. Holstad
N 2nd Lt. Francis A. McAdown
B 2nd Lt. John T. Larkins
UTG T/Sgt. Carl S. Kuck
ROG T/Sgt. Edward A. Curtis
LTG S/Sgt. Wilson F. Beaton
LTC Sgt. Gilbert A. Copenhagen
RSG S/Sgt. Joan J. Rooney
TG S/Sgt. Waldo Ameres

777

P Capt. Harvey P. Hall
CP F/O Orville O. Foughty
N 2nd Lt. Michael J. Farrell
LTG 2nd Lt. Clarence E. Lutz, Jr.
RSG S/Sgt. Seward C. Hollaway
RSG T/Sgt. Harold E. Llewellyn
LTG S/Sgt. Robert A. McAndrew
LTC S/Sgt. Paul H. Smiley
RSG S/Sgt. Morton S. Latsman
TG S/Sgt. Alfred W. Lee

736

P 1st Lt. Clark B. Gathercole
CP 1st Lt. Fred R. Licence
N 1st Lt. Elmo K. Ballard, Jr.
B 2nd Lt. Gordon C. Llewellyn
UTG T/Sgt. George A. McLaughlan
ROG T/Sgt. Joe A. McCoy
LTG Sgt. Thomas J. Lane
LTC S/Sgt. Keith L. Jensen
RSG S/Sgt. Harold H. Chausser
TG Sgt. Jack C. Jones

Flight Formation for Sept 13, 1943 cont.

392

P 2nd Lt. James H. Kranzichfeld
 CP 2nd Lt. Darrell H. Layfield
 N 2nd Lt. Vance R. Dunkelberger
 B 2nd Lt. W. H. Digham
 UTG T/Sgt William E. Farrow
 ROG T/Sgt William D. Johnson
 LTG S/Sgt Carl E. Gabbart
 LMG S/Sgt James L. Clemons
 RWG S/Sgt Leo L. Cook
 TG S/Sgt Sidney J. Ayo, Jr.

561

P 1st Lt. Delbert E. Rosta
 CP 2nd Lt. Donald G. Prieve
 N 2nd Lt. Floyd J. Morris, Jr.
 B 2nd Lt. Lloyd O. Haskins
 UTG S/Sgt Fred P. Caldwell
 ROG T/Sgt Max R. Bland
 LTG S/Sgt Benjamin F. Coleman, Jr.
 LMG T/Sgt Henry T. Karner
 RWG S/Sgt Robert C. Clark
 TG Sgt John W. Chestnas

608

P 1st Lt. William S. Propper
 CP 1st Lt. Harold L. Christian
 N 2nd Lt. Otis B. Jackson
 B 2nd Lt. James C. Harbin
 UTG T/Sgt Melburne S. Knicker
 ROG T/Sgt Thomas Scamporrillo
 LTG William W. Stalnaker S/Sgt
 LMG Sgt Paul T. Kowak
 RWG T/Sgt Hugh P. Thomson
 TG S/Sgt Chester J. Willey

945

P Capt Harlow E. Willard
 CP 2nd Lt. Robert D. Doyle
 N 1st Lt. Joseph P. Gerace
 B 2nd Lt. Marshall E. Hanson
 UTG T/Sgt Allyn C. Moore
 ROG T/Sgt Eugene A. Guay
 LTG S/Sgt Edward W. Haley
 LMG S/Sgt Franklin W. Fitzgerald
 RWG S/Sgt James E. Warren
 TG S/Sgt Eugene H. Chakemain

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

MISSION: 74

TARGET: Road Battipagliaeast to Eboli, Italy

AIRPLANES: 41 a/c took off
41 a/c over target
1 a/c failed to take off - 604

ASSAULT: Axis of attack -
Time of attack - 1223 to 1238
altitude - 12,000 to 15,300'.
I A S - 155

TAKE OFF: 0920

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: None

NO ENCOUNTERS: N one

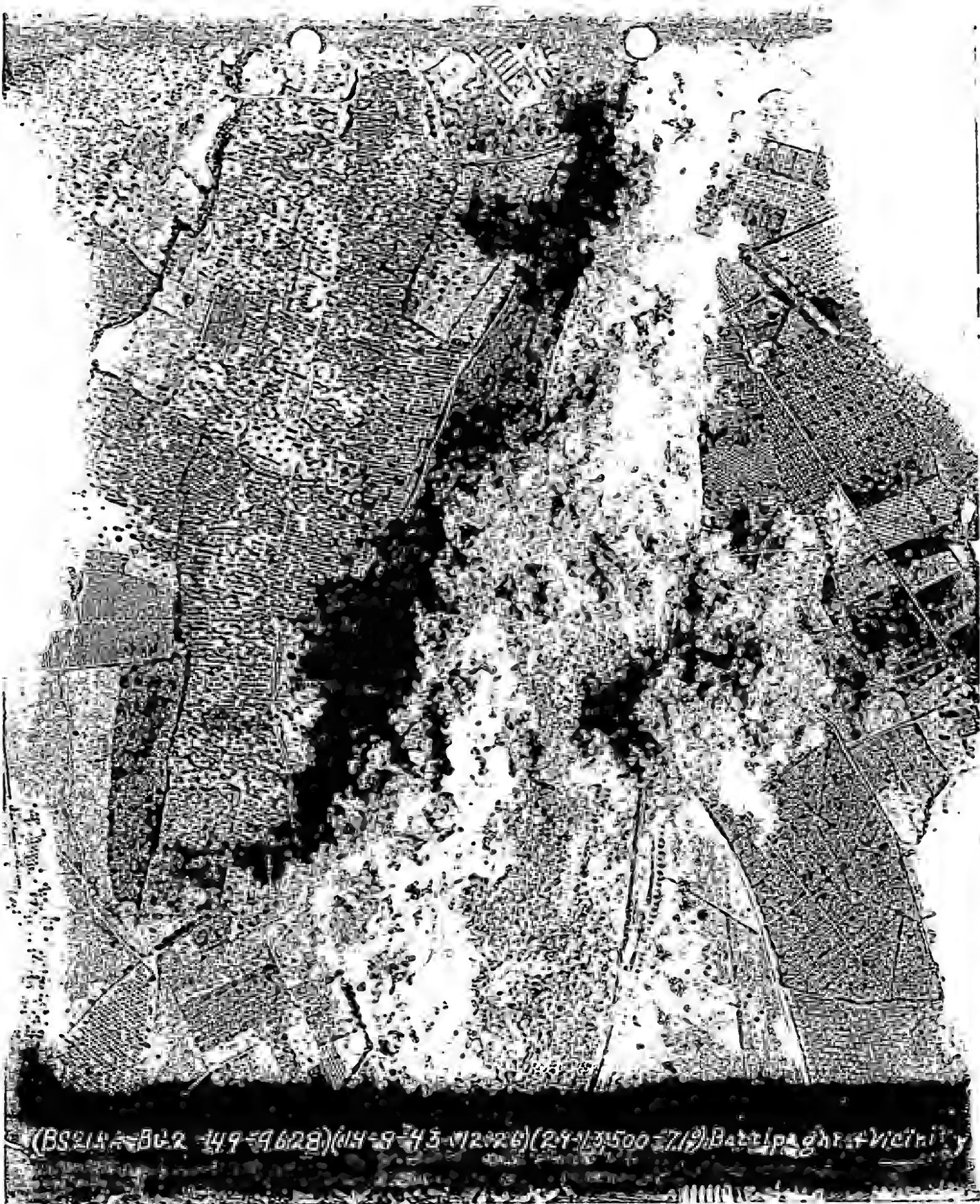
BOMBS DROPPED: 1556 x 100 GP8s 1/10 nose .025 tail.

RESULTS: Successful

REMARKS: The highway thru Eboli and for amile west of Eboli well covered.

WEATHER: Enroute and over target, clear, slight haze.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 224 hours 18 minutes. .



(BS214A-BG2 149-9628)(14-8-43-012-26)(24-13-500-7/8) Battleground + Vicinity

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APO # 520
12 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER 73)

1. This Group will furnish 18 a/c to bomb and destroy Highway Bridge at Benevento, Italy.
2. Rendezvous; Massicault; 2500'; 1100 B.
3. Route Out; Massicault to Cape Bon to 41°N 12°E to I P to Target.
4. Route Back; Reverse route out.
5. I P; Capua
6. Bomb Load; 12 x 500 lb GP demo bombs, 1/10 nose, .025 sec tail fuse.
7. Bombing Altitude; 17,000'.
8. Escort; None.
9. Communications; Channel "A" VHF and 6440 Kc.

(Tactical A F is operating S of Naples. Medium Bombers are attacking Roads and Road Bridges in the area 20 to 50 miles N of Naples. The 97th and 98th are attacking Frosinone A/P.)

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH,

MISSION # 73
12 Sept 1945

		611		
		733	623**	
		645		
777		633	623	595
776	608			781
		870		646**
	066			449
267	411			945
				736
392				581

** Early Returns

96th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER
APO # 520

September 11, 1943

SUBJECT: Loading List for September 12, 1943. #73.

TO : Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H).

AIRPLANE # 666

P 1st Lt. Nathan C. Dutton
CP 2nd Lt. Robert A. Holstad
N 2nd Francis A. McKeown
B 2nd Lt. John T. Larkins
UTG T/Sgt. Earl S. Kuck
LTG S/Sgt. Wilson F. Heaton
LWG Sgt. Gilbert A. Kopenhefer
RWG S/Sgt. John J. Mooney
TG S/Sgt. Waldo Emerson
ROG T/Sgt. Edward H. Curtis

AIRPLANE # 676

P 1st Lt. Patrick G. Train
CP Major Donald H. Ainsworth
N 2nd Lt. Harry T. Hillen
B 1st Lt. Edward Bergin
UTG Colonel, Edwin B. Garrett, Jr.
LTG S/Sgt. Edward J. Dumas, Jr.
LWG Sgt. Walter H. Chesser
RWG S/Sgt. Eugene H. Lehman
TG Sgt. Arthur J. Futterer
ROG T/Sgt. Charles B. White

AIRPLANE # 736

P 1st Lt. Clark B. Gathercole
CP F/O George A. Levchak
N 1st Lt. Elmo K. Ballard
B 2nd Lt. Gordon C. Llewellyn
UTG T/Sgt. George A. McLaughlin
LTG Sgt. Thomas J. Asha
LWG S/Sgt. Keith L. Jensen
RWG S/Sgt. Harold H. Hauser
TG Sgt. Jack C. Jones
ROG T/Sgt. Joe A. McCoy

AIRPLANE # 608

P 1st Lt. William S. Propper
CP 2nd Lt. David G. Pohria
N 2nd Lt. Otis B. Jackson
B 2nd Lt. Lloyd C. Haefl
UTG T/Sgt. Melbourne E. Angier
LTG S/Sgt. Russell E. Moore
LWG Sgt. Joseph A. Peters, Jr.
RWG T/Sgt. Hugh P. Thomson
TG S/Sgt. Chester J. Willey
ROG T/Sgt. Thomas Scungarallo

AIRPLANE # 561

P 1st Lt. Delbert E. Rosta
CP F/O Charles E. Buckwalter
N 2nd Lt. Floyd J. Morris, Jr.
B 2nd Lt. Clarence J. Kurz
UTG S/Sgt. Fred P. Caldwell
LTG S/Sgt. Benjamin F. Coleman, Jr.
LWG T/Sgt. Henry F. Karner
RWG S/Sgt. Robert G. Glark
TG Sgt. John W. Chestnas
ROG T/Sgt. Max R. Eland

AIRPLANE # 392

P 2nd Lt. James H. Krannichfeld
CP 2nd Lt. Darrell W. Kayfield
N 2nd Lt. Vance E. Dunkelberger
B 2nd Lt. Willis Knippel
UTG T/Sgt. William E. Payne
LTG S/Sgt. Carl E. Gabbert
LWG S/Sgt. James L. Clements
RWG S/Sgt. Leo L. Meek
TG S/Sgt. Sidney J. Ayo, Jr.
ROG T/Sgt. William D. Johnson

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AIRPLANE # 777

P Capt. Harvey P. Hall
 CP F/O Orville L. Dougherty
 N 1st Lt. Edwin A. Speed
 B 2nd Lt. Murray Mayrowitz
 UTG S/Sgt. Robert B. Asker
 LTG S/Sgt. Allen C. Kahn
 LWG T/Sgt. Wesley E. Adams
 RWG Sgt. Michael J. Kaminick
 TG S/Sgt. Alfred W. Cos
 ROG T/Sgt. Harold A. Humphrey

AIRPLANE # 267

P 2nd Lt. Garth E. Teale
 CP 2nd Lt. Adolph F. Dippolito
 N 2nd Lt. John F. Back
 B 2nd Lt. L. E. Dixon
 UTG T/Sgt. James L. Risky, Jr.
 LTG S/Sgt. Lewis W. Crawford
 LWG S/Sgt. Frank Horner
 RWG S/Sgt. Norton W. Latshaw
 TG S/Sgt. Clee A. Corley
 ROG T/Sgt. John W. Lenz

AIRPLANE # 779

~~P 1st Lt. Paul E. Hunt
 CP 2nd Lt. James D. White
 N 2nd Lt. Seymour Rabinowitz
 B 2nd Lt. W. H. Bigham
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 LWG S/Sgt. John H. Zosbelien
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 ROG T/Sgt. Donald N. Dickinson~~

AIRPLANE # 411

P 1st Lt. Richard P. Long
 CP 2nd Lt. Donald G. Frieva
 N 1st Lt. Joseph P. Gerace
 B 2nd Lt. Marshall E. Hanson
 UTG Seward S. Holloway, S. Sgt.
 LTG S/Sgt. William R. Stalraser
 LWG Sgt. Donald Clinton
 RWG S/Sgt. William J. Shearin, Jr.
 TG S/Sgt. Paul A. Smiley
 ROG T/Sgt. Cletus J. Corbett

AIRPLANE # 449

P 1st Lt. Allen W. Roessig
 CP F/O Herbert L. Beal
 N 2nd Lt. Jack P. Dranner
 B 2nd Lt. James W. Harbin
 UTG T/Sgt. John A. Caputo
 LTG S/Sgt. Robert C. J. Ciampa
 LWG S/Sgt. Clayton M. Kahlor
 RWG S/Sgt. William T. Richardson
 TG S/Sgt. John W. Carson
 ROG T/Sgt. Edward H. Bennett

AIRPLANE # 945

P Capt. Harlow E. Willard
 CP 2nd Lt. Robert D. Doyle
 N 2nd Lt. Michael J. Farrell
 B 1st Lt. Fred A. Allen
 UTG T/Sgt. Allen C. Moore
 LTG S/Sgt. Edward W. Haley
 LWG S/Sgt. Frank W. Fitzgerald
 RWG S/Sgt. James E. Warren
 TG S/Sgt. Eugene H. Chokemain
 ROG S/Sgt. Eugene H. Quay

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

MISSION # 73

TARGET: Benevento, Italy, Highway bridges.

AIRPLINES: 21 a/c took off
19 a/c over target.
2 a/c returned early - 625, 646.

TAKE OFF: 1020

ASSAULT: Axis of attack - 85 deg
Time of attack - 1531 - 1536.
Altitude - 16,500 to 17,700'.
Rally - Left

I A S -

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: None over target, 5/8 miles W of Capua, heavy, slight, to moderate - good as to altitude and deflection.

NO ENCOUNTERS: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 228 x 500 Gp's 1/10 nose, .025 sec tail.

OUR A/C LOSSES: 5 a/c slightly damaged by flak

RESULTS: Successful

REMARKS: Target well covered - several direct hits.

WEATHER: To and over target - clear.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 111 hours 23 minutes.

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APD # 520
10 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDER(S)

NUMBER72)

1. This Group will furnish 36 a/c to bomb and destroy Highway Installations at Vinchiature, Italy.
2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 4000'; 0810 B.
3. Route Out: Base to 41 deg N 11 Deg E to 41 deg N 13 Deg 10' E to Coast to I P to Target.
4. Route Back: Reverse route out.
5. I P: Capriati.
6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 lb Gp demo bombs, 1/10 nose, 1025 Tail.
7. Bombing Altitude: 21000'.
8. Escort: None.
9. Communications: Channel "Z" VHF, and 6440, command sets.

By order of Colonel RICE;

(2nd attack Vinchiature Highway. 99th attack Highway at Isernia. 301st attack Bridge and intersection at Ariano. Alternate targets: any highway intersection or bridge NW of target Area. All units of Tactical and Strategic AF are supporting landing operations in Salerno Area.)

D. H. AINSWORTH

FORECAST FOR MISSION # 72

Local

4/10 cirrus at 25000. 5/10 altocumulus and Alstratus at 14000. 5/10 cumulus at 5000. Vis over 6 miles. Max temp 95

Enroute
TO

5-8/10 cirrus at 32000. This becoming 2/10 at arrival of coast line of It ly. 5/10 altocumulus and altostatus mixed at 12000. 2-7/10 stratocumulus at 2500. Vis over 6 miles. Slight haze.

Target

1/10 cumulus at 6000. 2/10 cirrus at 25000; Vis over 15 miles. Surface wind N 7 mph. Pressure 30.08 inches. Temp 26 C.

Enroute
From

Similar as going out and conditions at feild favorable for safe landing.

Winds	Direction	MPH	Nautical miles
1000	210	9	
4000	270	9	
6000	260	9	
8000	270	7	
10000	320	7	
12000	320	7	
15000	310	15	
20000	290	27	

R. K. OLIVER
1st Lt, A C,
Weather O.

MISSION # 72
11 Sept 1943

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96TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
2ND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

AFO # 520
9 Sept. 1943

SUBJECT: Loading List Mission # 72, 10 Sept 1943.

TO: Group Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H), AFO # 520.

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P Dutton C. Dutton, 1st Lt
CP Robert F Kolstad 2nd Lt
N Francis A. McKeown 2nd Lt
B Clarence J Kurz 2nd Lt
UTG Earl S Kuck T/Sgt
ROG Edward H. Curtis T/Sgt
LTG Wilson F Heaton S/S
LWG Gilbert A Kopenhefer Sgt
LWG John J. Mooney S/S
TG Waldo Emerson S/S

621

404
405
410
P Marlow E Willard Capt
CP Samuel W Covert 2nd Lt
N John F Back 2nd Lt
B Marshall E Hanson 2nd Lt
UTG Walter L Sikora T/S
ROG Cletus J Corbett T/S
LTG Mike O Zahn S/S
LWG Paul A Smiley S/S
RWG Chester F Bartosiewicz S/S
TG Edmond L Privensal S/S

776

501
P Patrick G Train 1st Lt
CP Donald H Ainsworth Maj
N Paul A Rix 1st Lt
B Herbert L. McDaniel 1st Lt
UTG James Willock Jr T/S
ROG Charles B White T/S
LTG Edward J Dumas, Jr S/S
LWG Robert T Dennis S/S
RWG Eugene R Lehman S/S
TG Arthur J Futterer Sgt

779

407
P Paul E Hunt 1st Lt
CP James D Wrape 2nd Lt
N Seymour Rebinovitz 2nd Lt
B W M Bigham 2nd Lt
UTG Clarence J Havlin T/S
ROG Donald H Dickinson T/S
LTG Max C Bare S/S
LWG John E Eobolein T/S
RWG Kermit L Reynolds S/S
TG George F Benadetto S/S

411

507
P James H Drannichfeld 2nd Lt
CP Darrell W Mayfield 2nd Lt
N Vance E Dunkelberger 2nd Lt
B Willis H Knippel 2nd Lt
UTG William E Payne T/S
ROG William D Johnson T/S
LTG Carl E Gabbert S/S
LWG James L Glenons S/S
RWG Leo L Meek S/S
TG Sydney J Ayo, Jr S/S

945

511
P Harold B Turner 2nd Lt
CP Robert D Doyle 2nd Lt
N Michael J Farrell 2nd Lt
B L E Dixon 2nd Lt
UTG Allyn C Moore T/S
ROG Eugene A Guay T/S
LTG Edward W Haley Sgt
LWG Franklin W Fitzgerald S/S
RWG James E Warren S/S
TG Eugene H Chekemain S/S

MISSION # 72 (Cont)

524

P Clark B Cathersole 1st Lt
CP Charles Q Buckwalter F/O
N Elmo K Ballard 1st Lt
B Gordon C Llewellyn 2nd Lt
UTG George A McLaughlin T/S
RGT Joe A McCoy T/S
433 LTG Thomas J Aghe Sgt
L G Keith L Jansen S/S
RGT Harold H Hauser S/S
TG Jack C Jones Sgt

604

P William S Propper 1st Lt
CP David G Rohrig 2nd Lt
N Ottie B Jackson 2nd Lt
B Lloyd G Haefs 2nd Lt
UTG Melbourne E Angier T/S
RGT Thomas Scangarello T/S
433 LTG Russell E McOro S/S
LTG Donald Clinert Sgt
RGT Hugh P Thomson T/S
TG Chester J Milley S/S

449

P Allen W Roessig 1st Lt
CP Herbert L Beal F/O
N Jack P Drummer 2nd Lt
B James W Harbin 2nd Lt
UTG John A Caputo T/S
RGT Edward H Bennett T/S
50 LTG Robert C J Ciampa S/S
LTG Clayton H Kahler S/S
William R Richardson S/S
TG John W Carson S/S

777

P Harvey P Hall Cpt
CP Orville L Doughty F/O
N Edwin M Speed 1st Lt
B John T Lanning 1st Lt
UTG Robert D Becker S/S
RGT Harold E Murray T/S
446 LTG Captain B Williams S/S
LTG Wesley E Adams T/S
RGT Michael J Kominek Sgt
TG Alfred W Coe S/S

561

P Delbert E Rosta 1st Lt
CP LeRoy C Brown 2nd Lt
N Floyd Morris Jr 2nd Lt
B Murray Meyrowitz 2nd Lt
UTG Fred P Caldwell S/S
RGT Max R Bland
450 LTG Benjamin F Coleman, Jr S/S
LTG Henry T Kerner T/S
RGT Robert C Clark S/S
TG John W Chestnas Sgt

PATRICK G. TRAIN,
1st Lt, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

MISSION # 72

TARGET: Vinciature Italy, Bridges

AIRPLANES: 55 a/c took off
16 a/c bombed targets of opportunity.
2 a/c failed to take off - 870,341.
19 a/c returned early.

TAKE OFF: 0720

ASSAULT: Axis of attack - 85 deg
Time of attack - 1045 to 1051
Altitude - 12,000 and 21,500'.
Rally - Right
I A S - 150

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: None

NO ENCOUNTERS: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 192 x 500 GP's; 1/10 nose, .025 sec tail.

RESULTS: Unsuccessful

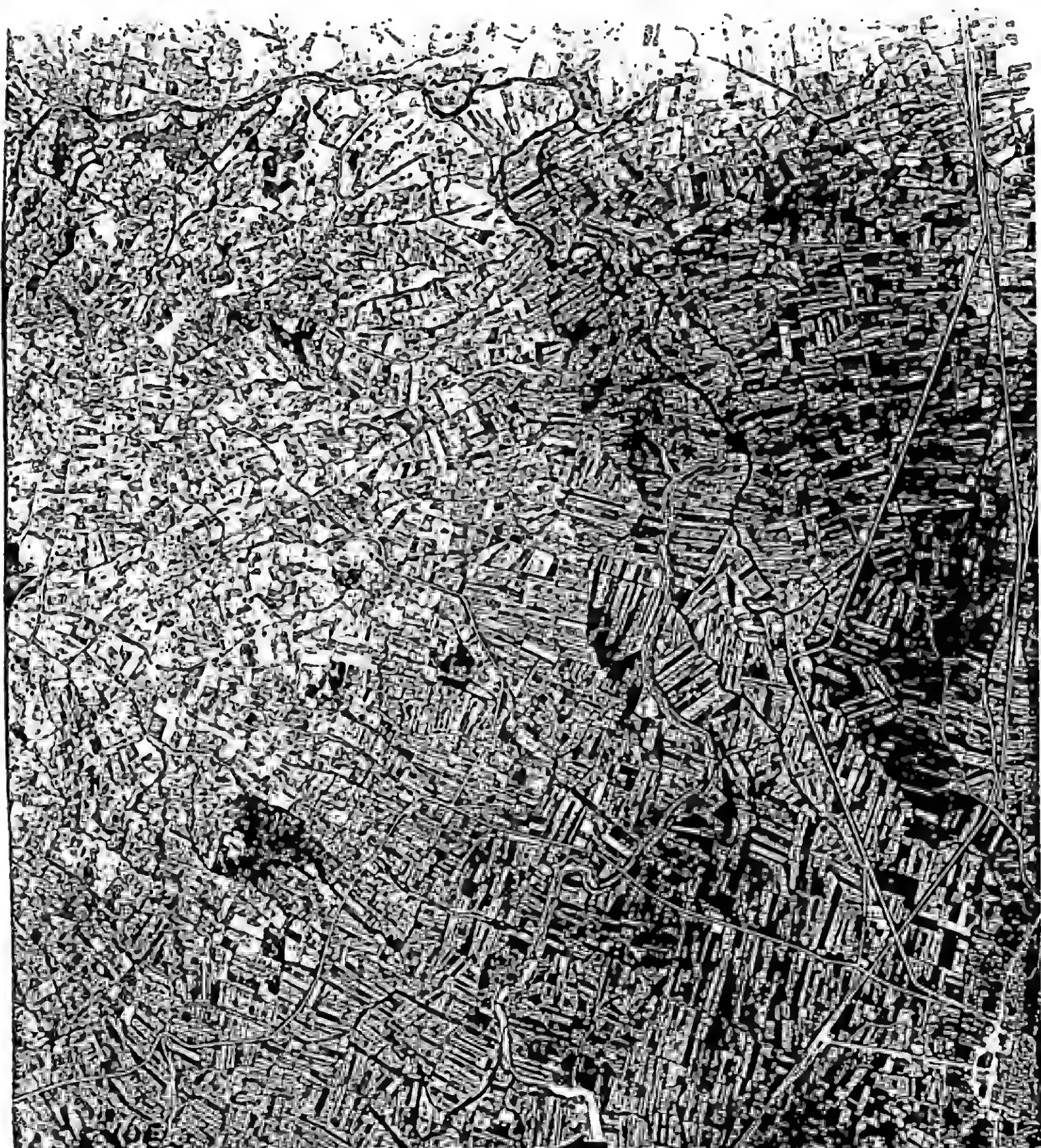
REMARKS: 15 B-17's bombed bridges in vicinity of Botano, dropping 180 x 500 GP's at 1051 from 21,500'. This is 9 miles west of Vinciature. Several bridges possible had direct hits. 1 B-17F bombed bridge over the Tiber river, dropping 12 x 500 GP's at 1045 from 12,000'. No direct hits, bombs falling on highway to North. Of the 19 a/c which were early returns, all brought back their bombs with the exception of two, which jettisoned 24 x 500 GP's.

WEATHER: Enroute, 10/10 cloud coverage and rain; over bombed target, clear, slight haze.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 202 hours 45 minutes.

EXTRACT FROM NASAF INTOPS Summary # 50.

VINCIATURE: 16 B17F of the 2nd Bomb Gp, unable to locate the primary target, dropped 45 tons of 500-lb bombs on bridges in the vicinity of Botano and 3 tons on a bridge over the Tiber at 41 deg 48 min N, 12 deg 18 min E at 1051 and 1045 hours from 21,500 and 12000' respectively. 10 B-17F's returned early. No hits were observed on either bridge. Some bombs fell on highway. Bomb strike photos taken by 1 a/c show concentration in built up area in NW end of Town of Botano, 6/7 miles SW of Vinciature, and scattered hits thru highway on NW fringe of same town.



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HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMB GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APG #220
9 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER.71)

1. This Group will furnish 36 a/c to bomb and destroy Highway Bridges at Cancellò, Italy.
 2. Rendezvous: Massicault; 2500; 0710G.
 3. Route Out: Massicault to Cape Bon to 41°00'N - 13°30'E to I P to target.
 4. Route Back: Target to 41°10'N - 13°40'E to 41°00'N - 13°20'E to Cape Bon to Base.
 5. I P: 12 miles West North West of Mondragone.
 6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 GP demo bombs, 1 lb nose, .025 tail.
 7. Bombing Altitude: 20,000'.
 8. Escort: None
 9. Communications: Group leader channel "A", VHF.
- (2 Gp's B-25's attack PY and Highway Communications at Potenza. P-40's conduct intruder mission in Sardinia. 36 a/c from each of 97th - 6 planes attack R R Bridge 9 will attack Highway Bridges at Capua, remainder attack town. 99th attack town of Capua. 301st attack three bridges #'s 1, 2, & 2a at Cancellò. 2nd attack same.)

By order of Colonel RICE:

D. H. AINSWORTH

FORECAST FOR MISSION #71
9 September 1945

Local

2/10 cumulus forming after 1100Z. Vis over 10 miles. Max temp 92.

Enroute
TO

1-3/10 stratocumulus on deck at 1500'. Vis over 8 miles. Slight sea haze due to mist from sea.

Target

Few scattered clouds at 6000. Vis over 15 miles. Surface wind SW at 6 mph. Pressure 30.04 inches. Temp 24.

Enroute
FROM

Practically clear and vis much better than going out. Still slight haze over water in lower layers.

Winds	Direction	MPH
1000	130	10
4000	130	10
6000	60	8
8000	40	12
10000	360	15
12000	350	22
15000	350	28
20000	350	50

R. K. OLIVER

MISSION NO 71.
9 September 1943

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		611			
		147	781**		
		645			
623		738	846	775*	
466	870			516	581
	584**				465*
	096			134	398

* Early returns
** Failures to take off.

96TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
2ND BOMB. B. LANT. GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

AFO #520
9 September 1943

SUBJECT: Loading List, Mission #71

TO : Operations Officer, 2nd Bomb Group, (H), AFO #520

Plane #776

P Major Marion E. Caruthers
CP 1st Lt. Arca R License
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LTG S/Sgt. Howard J. Dumas
LWG S/Sgt. Robert T. Dennis
RWG S/Sgt. Eugene R. Lehman
TG Sgt. Arthur J. Rutterer
ROG T/Sgt. Charles P. White

561

P 1st Lt. Delbert E. Rosta
CP 2nd Lt. Darrell W. Hayfield
N 2nd Lt. Floyd J. Morris Jr.
B 1st Lt. *Edward Bergin*
UTG C/Sgt. Fred P. Caldwell
LTG S/Sgt. Benjamin F. Coleman Jr.
LWG T/Sgt. Henry T. Kanner
RWG S/Sgt. Robert C. Clark
TG Sgt. John W. Chestnas
ROG T/Sgt. Max R. Bland

449

P 1st Lt. Patrick G. Train
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B 2nd Lt. James W. Harbin
UTG T/Sgt. John A. Caputo
LTG C/Sgt. Robert C. J. Ciampa
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RWG S/Sgt. William R. Richardson
TG S/Sgt. John W. Carson
ROG T/Sgt. Edward H. Bennett

411

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N 1st Lt. Joseph P. Gerace
B 2nd Lt. Harvey W. McMillan
UTG T/Sgt. Lee W. Anderson
LTG S/Sgt. William W. Stalnaker
LWG Sgt. Donald Gilmort
RWG S/Sgt. William J. Shearin
TG S/Sgt. Paul A. Smiley
ROG T/Sgt. Gletus J. Corbett

777

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CP 2nd Lt. Adolph F. Dipralito
N 2nd Lt. John F. Beck
B 2nd Lt. H(1.O.) C. Bizon
UTG T/Sgt. James E. Alfrey
LTG S/Sgt. Lewis W. Crawford
LWG S/Sgt. Frank Forner
RWG S/Sgt. Merton W. Latshaw
TG S/Sgt. Cleo E. Corley
ROG T/Sgt. Harold E. Hanson

775

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CP 2nd Lt. James D. Wraps
N 2nd Lt. Seymour Rabinowitz
B 2nd Lt. Clarence J. Kurz Jr.
UTG T/Sgt. Clarence J. Davlin
LTG S/Sgt. Max C. Bare
LWG S/Sgt. John H. Zeeblein
RWG S/Sgt. Hermit L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt. Sidney A. Ayo
ROG T/Sgt. Donald D. Dickenson

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P Captain Marlow E Willard
 WP 1st Lt. Samuel E Covert
 I 2nd Lt. Vance E Dunkelberger
 J 1st Lt. Herbert - Mc Daniel
 KG T/Sgt. Walter L Sikora
 LG S/Sgt. Mike C Cain
 MG Cpt. Joseph L. Peters
 NG S/Sgt. Chester F Santosuevicioz
 OG S/Sgt. William A. Privitera
 XG S/Sgt. John - Lenz

945

P 2nd Lt. Harold B Turner
 WP 2nd Lt. Robert E. Doyle
 I 2nd Lt. Jack P. Dwyer
 J 2nd Lt. Marshall E Hanson
 KG T/Sgt. Allyn C Moore
 LG S/Sgt. Edward W.aley
 MG S/Sgt. Franklin W Fitzgerald
 NG S/Sgt. James - Warren
 O S/Sgt. Eugene H Chokemain
 OG T/Sgt. Eugene A. Gany

P 1st Lt. William C. Propper
 CP 2nd Lt. David G. Schlegel
 N 2nd Lt. Clitia J. Jackson
 B 2nd Lt. Lloyd C. Neefs
 UTG T/Sgt. Melbourne E. Angier
 LTG S/Sgt. Russell E. Moore
 LMG S/Sgt. James E. Clamons
 RMG T/Sgt. Hugh P. Thomson
 TG S/Sgt. Chester J. Willey
 RCG T/Sgt. Thomas A. Scangarella

736

P 1st Lt. Clark B. Cathercole
 CP 2nd Lt. Robert F. Kolstad
 N 1st Lt. Elmo L. Hallard Jr.
 B 2nd Lt. Gordon C. Llewellyn
 UTG T/Sgt. George A. McLaughlin
 LTG Sgt. Thomas Ashe
 LMG S/Sgt. Keith L. Jensen
 RMG S/Sgt. Harold H. Hauser
 TG Sgt. Jack C. Jones
 RCG T/Sgt. Joe A. McCoy

For the Squadron Commander:

PATRICK G. TRAIN
 1st. Lt., Air Corps
 Operations Officer

MISSION # 71

TARGET: Cancellò, Italy, Highway Bridges.

AIRPLANES: 31 a/c took off
27 a/c over target
2 a/c failed to take off - 534 & 731.
4 a/c returned early - 604, 639, 465 & 773.

TAKE OFF: 0555

ASSAULT: Angle of attack - 115°
Time of attack - 0929 - 0934
Bomb Altitude - 19,000 - 21,000 ft.
Rally - Left
I A S - 155

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: None

NO ENCOUNTERS: None

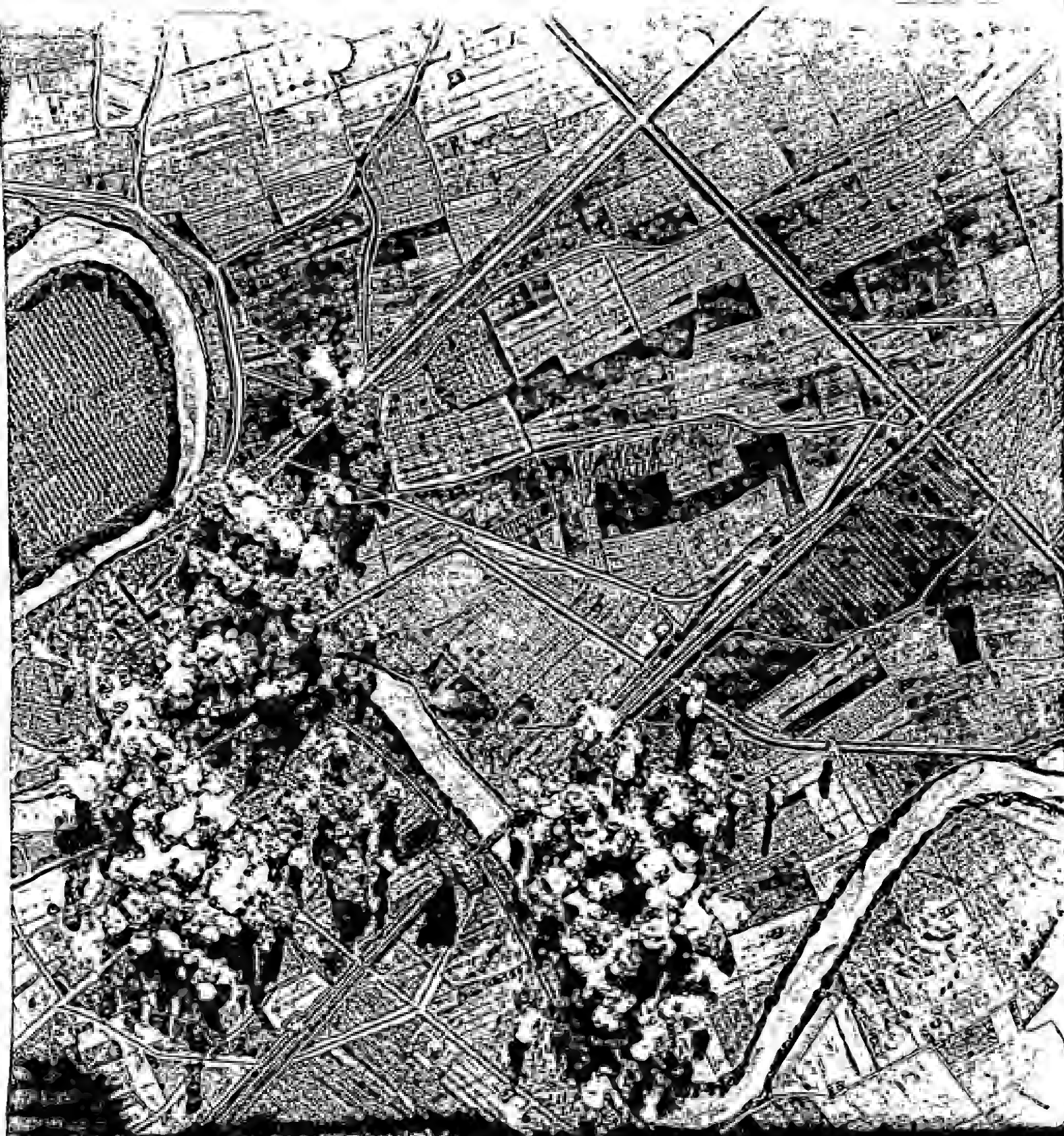
BOMBS DROPPED: 324 x GP's, 1/10 nose, .025 sec tail

RESULTS: Successful

REMARKS: Bridge # 1, near misses, tracks to the south side received direct hits.
Bridge # 2, direct hits. Bridge # 2A, thought to get direct hits.

WEATHER: Enroute, clear-slight haze; over target-clear.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 174 hours 30 minutes.



U (BS 209F-BG 2-49-9645) (9-9-43-09:31) (24-19,300-116°) Cancellio

MISSION 79

TARGET: Bologna, Italy M/Y.

AIRPLANES: 35 a/c took off
1 a/c did not complete mission.

TAKE OFF: 0720

REMARKS: There was 10/10 cloud coverage over the assigned target and therefore no bombs were dropped there. 180 x 500 GP's were jettisoned, while 288 bombs were returned.

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 263 hrs 32 minutes.

OPERATIONS ORDERS: 5th Wing # 108
2nd Bomb # 78

TARGET: Bologna, Italy E/Y8s

DATE: 25 September 1943

MISSION NUMBER: 78

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

APC 520
25 Sept 1943

OPERATIONS ORDERS)

NUMBER . . . 78)

1. This Group will furnish 36 a/c to bomb and destroy Marshalling Yards at Bologna, Italy.
2. Rendezvous: Depienne; 4000'; 0800 B.
3. Route Out: Cape Zebib to 43°50'N - 10°E to I P to Target.
4. Route Back: Reverse route out.
5. I P: Castel Franco Dell Emilia.
6. Bomb Load: 12 x 500 GP demo bombs, 1/10 nose - .025 tail.
7. Altitude: 24,000.
8. Escort: None
9. Communications: Channel "A", and 6449.

By order of Colonel RICE:

The 301st will attack BOLZANO, Medium bombers will attack Road and RR between Naples and Rome. 36 each of the 99th, 97th and 2nd will attack M/Y at Bologna, Italy.

D. H. AINSWORTH,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

FORECAST FOR MISSION 78

Local

2/10 cumulus forming after 0800 Z. Vis over 8 miles, Max Temp 98.

Enroute

To

Clear to coast and then high deck of cirrus at 25000 increasing to 7/10 at places and then disappearing to few wisps above 40°N same amt of middle cloud at 14000 and disappearing at similar position. 5/10 stratus on the water at 2000. Vis varying enroute from 6 miles in cloudy areas to 10 miles in areas of practically no clouds.

Target

3/10 cumulus built up around surrounding mountains. At 8000'. Few middle deck clouds to the south of target and also high cirrus at 25000'. Vis over 10 miles. Moderate haze. Surface wind NW at 6 miles per hour. Pressure 30.05 inches. Temp 25.

Enroute

From

Similar as going out except stratus on water pretty well dissolved. and vis over water better than going out.

Winds	Direction	MPH
1000	230	10
4000	250	15
6000	230	17
8000	230	20
10000	250	20
12000	250	25
15000	250	25
20000	270	25
25000	270	22

R. K. OLIVER,
1st Lt, A C,
Gp Weater O.

FORMATION MISSION 78

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96TH AIRCRAFT DIVISION (H)
2ND AIRCRAFT GROUP (H)
OFFICE CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER.

APC # 520
22 September 1943

SUBJECT: Squadron formation for September ²⁵ 1943. # 78

TO : Operations Officer, 2nd Bombardment Group (H);

AIRPLANE # 776

P Capt. Patrick G. Train
CP Major Donald H. Ainsworth
N 2nd Lt. Donald E. Beck
B 2nd Lt. Clarence J. Kura
UTG T/Sgt John A. Caputo
LTG S/Sgt Robert J. Ciampa
LWG S/Sgt Clayton H. Kahler
RWG S/Sgt William R. Richardson
TG Sgt Arthur J. Futterer
ROG T/Sgt Edward H. Bennett

AIRPLANE # 736

P 1st Lt., Clark B. Garmercole
CP F/O Charles O. Buckwalter
N 2nd Lt. ~~Robert H. Doyle~~ HARRY T DILLON
B Lt. Barton
UTG T/Sgt George A. McLauchlan
LTG Sgt. Thomas J. Ashe
LWG S/Sgt Keith L. Jensen
RWG S/Sgt Harold H. Hauser
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LWG T/Sgt John H. Zoebelsin
RWG S/Sgt Kenneth L. Reynolds
TG S/Sgt George P. Benedetto
ROG T/Sgt ~~Edward H. Bennett~~ H.E. Humphrey

AIRPLANE # 666

P Capt. Dutton C. Dutton
CP 2nd Lt. Robert F. Holstad
N 2nd Lt. Francis A. McLaown
B 2nd Lt. James W. Harbin
UTG T/Sgt Earl S. Kuck
LTG S/Sgt Wilson F. Leaton
LWG S/Sgt Gilbert A. Koyenhofner
RWG S/Sgt John J. Mooney
TG S/Sgt Waldo Emerson
ROG T/Sgt Edward H. Curtis

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N 2nd Lt. Michael J. Farrell
B 2nd Lt. Gordon C. Llewellyn
UTG T/Sgt Allyn C. Moore
LTG S/Sgt Edward W. Haley
LWG S/Sgt Franklin W. Fitzgerald
RWG S/Sgt James E. Warren
TG S/Sgt Eugene E. Chokemahn
ROG T/Sgt ~~Edward H. Curtis~~ Cletus J Corbett

AIRPLANE # 639

P 2nd Lt. David G. Fehrig
CP 2nd Lt. Adolph F. Dipolito
N 2nd Lt. John F. Back
B 2nd Lt. L. E. Dixon
UTG T/Sgt James L. Hicky, Jr.
LTG S/Sgt Lewis W. Crawford
LWG S/Sgt Frank Norner
RWG S/Sgt Merton W. Latchaw
TG S/Sgt Cleo E. Cotley
ROG T/Sgt Harold E. Hanson

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AIRPLANE # 606

P Capt. William S. Propper
 CP 1st Lt. Samuel W. Covert
 N 2nd Lt. Curtis E. Jackson
 B 2nd Lt. Lloyd O. Reefe
 WTC T/Sgt Melbourne E. Angier
 LMG S/Sgt Russell E. Moore
 LMG S/Sgt Paul F. Rowek
 HMG S/Sgt Hugh P. Timson
 TG S/Sgt ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AGFREP W. COE
 ROG T/Sgt ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

AIRPLANE # 111

P 1st Lt. James H. Kramlichfold
 CP 2nd Lt. Darrell W. Mayfield
 N 2nd Lt. Vance E. Dunkelberg Jr
 B 2nd Lt. J. H. Dighan
 WTC T/Sgt William E. Payne
 LMG S/Sgt Carl H. Gabbard
 HMG S/Sgt James L. Clemens
 HMG S/Sgt Leo L. Meek
 TG S/Sgt Sidney J. Ayo, Jr.
 ROG T/Sgt William D. Johnson

AIRPLANE # 561

P 1st Lt. LeRoy C. Brown
 CP P/O ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ORVILLE L DOUGHTY
 N 2nd Lt. Floyd J. Morris, Jr.
 B Lt. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ MARSHALL E HANSON
 WTC T/Sgt Bernard L. Doone
 LMG S/Sgt Benjamin F. Coleman, Jr.
 LMG T/Sgt Henry T. Warner
 HMG S/Sgt Robert C. Clark
 TG S/Sgt John W. Chestnas
 ROG T/Sgt Max R. Bland

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MISSION 78

TARGET: Bologna, Italy Marshalling Yards.

AIRPLANES: 38 a/c took off
36 a/c over target
2 a/c returned early
1 a/c crashed landed in water.

TAKE OFF: 0703

ASSAULT: Axis of attack: 120°
Time of attack: 1119 to 1125
Altitude : 20,000 to 23,000'.
Rally: right
I A S: 155

ENEMY FLAK RESISTANCE: Over target, none; over Pecembino - heavy, intense, good altitude, poor deflection.

NO ENCOUNTERS: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 432 x 500 GP's, 1/10 nose, .025 tial.

RESULTS: Successful.

REMARKS: Assigned target area well covered.

OUR PERSONNEL LOSSES: S/S James A Jesse TG 49th Sq seriously wounded.

OUR A/C LOSSES: One B17F - #42-30109 crash landed in water off Bizerte.

ENEMY A/C LOSSES: None

TOTAL FLYING TIME: 277 hrs (35 planes)

WEATHER: Enroute, complete cloud coverage; over target, clear - hole in clouds.